



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

First and foremost, one of our members is reaching a milestone this month. Congratulations are in order for Al Nystrom who celebrates his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 17<sup>th</sup>. I remember an old Irish wish that goes "May you live to be 100 and another year to repent for the first 100". I don't know if Al needs to repent, but we sure wish him at least one more year. Congratulations Al.

Don't forget to pay your dues if you haven't already. Dues are \$7.50 and checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502. If you send her more than \$7.50, please tell her what the extra money is for or she will assume that it is a donation to the club. Also, yes, you can pay more than one year's dues at a time to save on future postage.

We can always use your ideas to improve the club. If you note the treasurer's report on page 2 you'll see that our checking account is almost down to \$2,000. Yes, we have more in the savings and life membership accounts that we can tap, but we would gladly accept any ideas on how to keep our head above water. For example, it now costs approximately \$12.00 per year per member for the printing, stickers and mailing of Bunyan's Chips, not to mention the secretary and treasurer's expenses. Dues are \$7.50 per year. Would you entertain an increase in dues? Please give us your input.

We still have several copies of Floyd Hartley's Michigan Official Wooden Money book for sale for \$4.00, including postage. All proceeds go to IOWMC.

Important note! If you're reading this, thank a teacher. If you're reading this in English, thank our veterans.

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**EDITOR'S REPORT**

As always, I am looking for your ideas for articles for Bunyan's Chips. You name it and I can probably write an article on it. All I'm missing are your ideas.

If your holidays have been like mine they were probably pretty hectic. I had family visit from out of state, last minute shopping, Christmas with the family, and I traveled to Michigan to attend my son's wedding on New Year's eve. It was a very interesting non-denominational wedding and the highlight was an ancient Celtic tradition of handbinding. For anyone who doesn't know what that is, I can forward you a copy by email or, if you send an SASE I can send a copy to you. Now I'm hoping to settle down and sort through 150,000 that I recently purchased so I can get the updated Guide Book completed and to the printer. (Yeah, yeah. I know. I promised 2 years ago.) However, the recent acquisition has added in the vicinity of 1,500 new official and semi-official woods to the list. (If you are looking for woods, I have a few extras.)

You'll note that there are 2 pages of advertisements for coin club woods in this month's issue. I knew that they were around here somewhere. Just before Christmas I cleaned my house and ran into all kinds of "stuff" that escaped me.

Again, happy new year to one and all. An old Irish wish: May your wildest dreams be the least of your accomplishments in the new year.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

We have one New Member this month. Welcome to:

Neil F. College R2442  
42 Hitz Lane  
Elizabethtown PA 17022  
Sponsor: Bob Brown

Also, please remember that it is time to pay dues. My mailbox is beginning to receive some of the dues, but still have many more not yet received. Dues are \$7.50 and checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502. If you send me more than \$7.50, please tell me what the extra money is for or I will assume that it is a donation to the club.

Happy Collecting and Wood Hunting.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

**TREASURER'S REPORT – January, 2009**

Checking Account	
Balance	\$2596.11
Interest	0.99
Sub Total	\$2597.10
Expenses	
Advance to Editor	\$ 495.32
Balance Forward	\$2101.78
Regular Savings	
Balance	\$ 2607.52
Interest	2.16
Balance Forward	\$ 2609.68
Life Membership	
Balance	\$ 2577.15
Interest	2.13
Balance Forward	\$ 2579.28

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## HERSHEY, PENNSYLVANIA TROLLEY WORKS

By Darrell Luedtke

On October 15, 1904 the first trolley car departed Hummelstown eastbound toward Campbelltown rolling across the gentle landscape of what would grow to become Hershey, Pennsylvania. Initially, trolleys were used to transport milk from local dairy farms to the Chocolate Factory to make milk chocolate. The trolleys later expanded to include passenger cars, transporting workers to the factory, students of the Hershey Industrial School (now the Milton Hershey School) to their classes, and families to Hershey Park. In 1913, the name was changed to the Hershey Transit Company.

In its heyday, the Hershey Transit Company would connect several other small train lines. For over forty years, trolleys ran throughout Central Pennsylvania. The coming of World War II and the rationing of gasoline and oil prolonged the closing of the trolley area, but it would not last. By the time the troops returned home, Americans had shifted from railway to highway travel, and the trolleys had past their prime. The final trolleys ran on the evening of December 21, 1946.

Forty-two years later, in 1988, the Hershey Trolley Works was founded as a means of exposing interested guests to the fascinating history behind Milton S. Hershey and the town he built. The Hershey Trolley Works had recreated the feel of a turn-of-the-century trolley ride to take guests through the town of Hershey. In recent years, the fleet of trolleys has expanded with more vehicles on the way. Our box office is located inside the newly remodeled Hershey's Chocolate World, and a new trolley depot was built outside in 2004.

Due to limited seating, guests are encouraged to purchase tickets upon their arrival to Hershey's Chocolate World. Trolley tokens may only be purchased the day of the tour. Each token is valid only for a specific time. There were 83 wooden trolley tokens issued, each with a different time on them.



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## CANADIAN "BROOM STOCK" WOODEN NICKELS

By Darrell Luedtke

Many collectors have Canadian wooden nickels in their collections that are commonly referred to as "broom stock" wooden nickels but they have no idea of why they are called that or how they are made.

I recently came across a November 8, 1976 article from Canadian Coin News that was written by Norman Wells, an authority on Canadian wooden money. Portions of the article, entitled "Canadian Wood Chips: Kitchener Plant Makes Woods", are reproduced here.

"The first day of Autumn was welcomed in by a visit to Master Craft Wood Turnings Ltd. Of Kitchener, Ont., the home of the broom stock five-cent wooden tokens and souvenirs.

We were welcomed by Bob Thiessen, president of Master Craft, and conducted on a tour through the plant. Mr. Thiessen very obligingly answered our many questions.

Master Craft is a manufacturer of cabinet and drawer knobs and other specialty items for many of the larger furniture makers and also for the retail trade.

The broom stock tokens are a small but interesting sideline.

The first issues were for Kitchener and Gananoque in 1954. Since then there have been 40 other commemorative and souvenir issues, mainly for cities and towns in Ontario.

There are five or six operations performed in the production of so-called broom stock, which is actually one in. diameter maple dowling and comes in four ft lengths.

These lengths are hand fed and cut (one cut per token) on a small circular bench saw which is fitted with a jig for  $\frac{1}{4}$  in thickness.

Approximately 1,000 blanks are produced per hour.

These blanks are then put in a wooden tumbler for a few minutes to take off any rough edges. After this tumbling they are ready for stamping.

Two steel dies are required, which are inserted into a vertical stamping machine. The obverse die is in the upper or moving part and the reverse die is fastened on the flat or table of the machine.

One wooden blank at a time is placed by hand on the bottom die and an electrical

switch activates the upper die, which comes down with a pre-set pressure to incuse the designs into the wooden blank – both sides done in one operation. Approximately 1,000 per hour are produced this way.

The completed pieces are then ready to be issued, either in a natural or varnished state.

If the customer wishes them varnished, there is one more operation.

The wooden tokens are placed into a steel tumbler, approximately 24 in. in diameter and three ft long. Depending on the number of tokens to be done, a small amount of varnish is also put in and the lid closed.

They are then spun and tumbled until most of the varnish is absorbed into the wood and, therefore, little drying is required.

Another method of varnishing involves spreading the tokens on a silk screen and giving them a very light spraying.

Counting of the tokens is done individually or, if large quantities are issued, they are weighed.

Quantities produced have varied from 5,000 for the Dunnville issues to the largest recorded number of 305,198 for London, Ont. Most issues, however, average 50,000.

The cost of one set of steel dies is approximately \$300. These can be reused and will produce about one million pieces without being resharpened."

"In addition to the broom stock tokens, Master Craft has also produced the larger 1½ in. wooden quarters for the Elmira Maple Syrup Festivals of 1967 to 1975."

"The largest piece produced by the firm was a 1¾ in. jumbo size wooden dollar issued in 1967 for Canada's Centennial by a group of Kitchener citizens."

## HOW DO YOU SHIP WOODEN NICKELS?

**By Darrell Luedtke**

It seems like the postal service is doing a job on wooden nickels lately because I have had a lot of questions from collectors on this subject.

For your information, most of the envelopes handled by the postal service go through automatic sorting equipment. All envelopes are placed into trays that feed automated lines. Electronic equipment searches each envelope for a zip code and then translates this zip code to a bar code that is printed on the bottom of the envelope. The problem is that these automated lines cannot read "DO NOT BEND", "HAND CANCEL ONLY" or "FRAGILE". Sometimes if you pay extra to have the envelope hand canceled it will still undergo the automated process. It is the post office's way of speeding your mail to its destination. The problem is that along the automated line the envelope is bent and this is where the breakage occurs.

There are several ways to ensure that your wooden nickels won't be broken.

The best way is to place them into padded envelopes. This will add to the postage but padded envelopes do not undergo automated sorting equipment. I have never received a broken wooden nickel using a padded envelope.

A second method is to add something stiff to both sides of the wooden nickel so that it can't be bent. You can use fiberboard, cardboard or even a toilet paper inner tube that is flattened and stapled on one end. Again, this will require additional postage because anything thicker than  $\frac{1}{4}$ " requires additional postage. You can try using regular postage and maybe you will get away with it. I typically use stiff fiberboard in my shipments and, yes, I only use regular postage and 90% of the time it goes through undetected.

I would use discretion in ordering wooden nickels to limit my postage expense. For example, many coin clubs used to send wooden nickels to collectors for 25¢ each but it seems that many advertisements I have seen recently charge 50¢ or \$1.00 each plus SASE. At a minimum, that costs you postage both ways plus the price for the wooden nickel. That adds up to a minimum of \$1.32 for a coin club wood. I don't know about you, but that is way too much unless I really, really need it. I would suggest that if you contact a coin club for a wooden nickel you ask them what past issues are available and order multiple woods in the same shipment.

As an alternative to the foregoing, please network with members of IOWMC. Many members are also members of coin clubs and can obtain the wooden nickels free of charge. In addition, many of us buy, sell and trade and have many duplicates laying around that we would be happy to sell you for 5¢ or 10¢ each plus postage.

I hope that this helps.

## A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

**By Bob Brown**

I recently received the following wood from Rich Boyles that is not in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". It is from Turlock, CA and is the traditional red in color and has a Type 6 reverse.

Anyone who has any Dairy Queen's to report please send me good clear copies of the wood, or the wood itself if you are willing to part with it, and I will see that it is listed in a future Dairy Queen Update and you will be given credit for reporting it. Send any information to me at P. O. Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034. Thanks to all who have sent in information in the past.



**CC OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD**

The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford has issued a wooden nickel to commemorate its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 29, 2008. It has its anniversary logo on one side and Medal of Honor recipient William Carney on the other. Please send 50¢ each plus SASE or bubble mailer with sufficient postage to: C.C. GRTR. N.B., PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741.

**CHARLESTON COIN CLUB**

West Virginia's Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for its Nov 1-2 show in the Civic Center. Show information appears on one side and a Buffalo' appears on the other. Price of the new wood is 50 cents each plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Orders should be submitted to Don Clifford, c/o Charleston Coin Club, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some back issues remain. A list is available upon request.

**GREAT RIVER REGIONAL CC**

A wooden nickel created for the 8<sup>th</sup> annual autumn show of the Great River Regional Coin Club held Sept. 14 in St. Cloud, Minn., can be purchased by collectors for 40 cents each or five for \$2, plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope. The club asks that postage be enough to cover the cost of a padded insert to protect the woods in the mail. This year's theme of "Vote" follows two woods issued in 2006 that said "Vote Democrat" and "Vote Republican." The club still has the 2006 woods available for sale as well as woods-from the spring shows of 1999-2004, 2007 and fall shows 2002-2004. Send orders to the club at PO. Box 122, Sartell, MN 56377.

**FISHBOWL WOODEN NICKEL CC**

The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club held their annual coin show on Saturday, August 2, 2008, at the Siren Senior Center in Siren, Wisconsin. The new 2008 wood features a wolverine. It is available for \$0.25 plus a SASE. Send your request to: Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club, c/o Gary Schauls, 2702 150<sup>th</sup> Street, Luck, WI 54853-3811.

**DELAWARE COUNTY CC**

The Delaware County Coin Club's annual 2 cent wood for 2007 commemorates the Media Armory located in Media, Pa. Erected in 1907 to house the Cooper Rifles, the stone building soon housed Company M, 111th Infantry, Pennsylvania National Guard, which later became a unit of the 28th Division. The armory was closed in 2002, reopening as the home of the new Pennsylvania Veterans Museum in 2005. The structure was added in 1989 to the National Register of Historic Places. Order the wood for 50¢ each plus a SASE with 59 cents postage from: Wooden Two Cents, Delaware County Coin Club, PO Box 5252, Springfield, PA 19064.

**BRIDGE CITY COIN & STAMP CLUB**

Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club arranged to have a postal cancellation stamp created in honor of its 50th anniversary. The design is based on the club's anniversary wood. The wood's design was replicated on a cancellation stamp arranged by the local post office. Attendees of the anniversary party on July 5 were able to have envelopes and other products cancelled with the special Bridge City stamp. No ordering information is available.

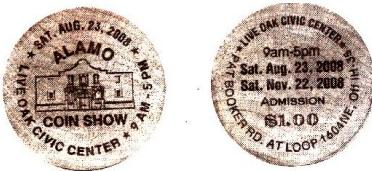


**CALUMET NUMISMATIC CLUB**

Thirty members of Indiana's Calumet Numismatic Club and their family members celebrated the club's 800<sup>th</sup> meeting Sept 17 at Dick's Restaurant in St. John, Ind. The club issued a wooden nickel to mark the meeting. They are available for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Additional postage is required for more than one. For more information or to place an order, write to Ken Fehlberg at P.O. Box 161, St. John, IN 46373.

**ALAMO CC**

The Alamo Coin Club will give away wooden nickels at the annual Texas Folklife Festival June 13-15 in San Antonio. The woods advertise Alamo's two upcoming coin shows. The shows, scheduled for Aug. 23 and Nov. 22, both run from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Live Oak Civic Center, located at 8101 Pat Booker Road in Live Oak, Texas. The obverse of the wood features an image of the Alamo with the August show date, time and location. The reverse lists both show dates, the admission price of \$1 and location information. The club displayed an exhibit of the history of Texas money at the June festival. No ordering information is available.

**CENTRAL ARKANSAS CC**

Following a successful 2007 issue, the Central Arkansas Coin Club has issued its 2008 colored wooden nickel. Both sides of the piece display colors of mulberry fuchsia, red, blue and green. The obverse features the Arkansas state quarter design along with the club logo and year. The reverse lists club meeting information and is "good for a cup of coffee or soda." Also listed is the name and number of the club's president, Tom Dodson. The 2008 wooden nickel is available to the public for \$1 each or three for \$2. A SASE is required. Send orders to Dodson at 6900 Skywood Road, Little Rock, AR 72207.

**HIAWATHA CC**

The Hiawatha, Iowa Coin Club has designed a wooden nickel for the Hiawatha Lions Club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The wood's theme is the club's annual Hog Wild Days, scheduled for June 19-22, 2008. The Lions use all money from the event to support community projects and sight programs year around. Wooden nickels may be obtained by donating to the Hiawatha Lions club and a SASE. Orders may be sent to Hiawatha Coin Club, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081.

**UPLAND CC**

The 50<sup>TH</sup> anniversary of the Upland, California Coin Club is celebrated with a wooden nickel. On obverse is a design showing popular coin designs on a mountainside as well as a trolley car. The club was founded in 1958 and meets on the third Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Magnolia Recreation Center in Upland. Price of the wood is 25¢ cents plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope, or five for \$1. Write Bill Grant, P.O. Box 295, Patton, CA 92369-0295.

**HERSHEY CC**

2008, 2007 and 2006 Hershey Coin Club wooden nickels. \$1 each plus a stamp. Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

## **THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING JANUARY 31, 2008**

Note: Final figures are in for the November mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$10.00, 2 - \$23.00, 3 - \$40.00, 4 - \$17.50, 5 - \$40.00, 6 - \$4.00, 7 - \$12.00, 8 - \$10.00, 9 - \$8.00, 10 - \$40.00, 11 - \$7.50, 13 - \$20.00, 14 - \$7.50, 16 - \$12.50, 17 - \$22.50, 19 - \$2.50, 20 - \$4.10, 22 - \$10.50, 24 - \$10.75, 25 - \$5.00, 26 - \$15.00, 27 - \$7.50, 29 - \$1.75, 20 - \$11.25, 31 - \$10.00, 32 - \$20.00. Total = \$424.35. 10% to IOWMC = \$42.43. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage**

**ALABAMA**

1. Anniston, 1958, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black
2. Baldwin County, 1959, Co-operative Business, 5¢, Green
3. Bessemer, ND, 1987, First Federal Building Centennial, 5¢, Black
4. Enterprise, 1957, Diamond Jubilee, set of 2
5. Irondale, 1987, Centennial, 5¢, Black
6. Apache Junction, 1976, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
7. Apache Junction, 1977, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
8. Apache Junction, 1978, 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
9. Apache Junction, 1979, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
10. Apache Junction, 1980, 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
11. Apache Junction, 1981, 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
12. Apache Junction, 1982, 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
13. Apache Junction, 1983, 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
14. Apache Junction, 1983, 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, set of 4
15. Apache Junction, 1984, 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
16. Apache Junction, 1985, 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
17. Apache Junction, 1986, 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Lost Dutchman Days, set of 4
18. Ash Fork, 1982, Centennial, set of 4
19. Benson, 1980, Centennial, set of 4
20. Cave Creek, 1970, Centennial, 5¢, Black
21. Cottonwood, 1979, Centennial, set of 8
22. Duncan, 1981, Centennial, set of 4
23. Flagstaff, 1969, 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Red
24. Florence, 1966, Centennial, set of 2
25. Gila County, 1956, 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee, 5¢, Red
26. Holbrook, 1981, Centennial, set of 4
27. Jerome, 1978, Centennial, set of 4
28. Kingman, 1982, Centennial, set of 4
29. Laveen, 1985, Centennial, set of 4
30. Mayer, 1981, Centennial, set of 4

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31. Mesa, 1978, Centennial, set of 8
32. Payson, 1982, Centennial, set of 4
33. Pima, 1979, Centennial, set of 4
34. Safford, 1974, Centennial, 5¢, Black
35. Seligman, 1986, Centennial, 5¢, Black
36. Show Low, 1980, Centennial, set of 4
37. Snowflake, 1978, Centennial, set of 8
38. Taylor, 1978, Centennial of Founding, set of 4
39. Tombstone, 1979, Centennial, set of 2
40. Tucson, 1975, Bicentennial, 5¢, Black
41. Wilcox, 1979, 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Rex Allen Days, 5¢, Black
42. Wilcox, 1980, Centennial, set of 4
43. Williams, 1981, Centennial, set of 4
44. Baxter County, 1973, Centennial, set of 2
45. Helena, 1956, Centennial, set of 3
46. Jacksonville, 1970, Centennial, set of 2
47. Little Rock, 1971, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, set of 2
48. Paragould, 1958, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black
49. Rogers, 1956, Diamond Jubilee, set of 2
50. Sulphur Springs, 1990, Centennial, 5¢, Black
51. West Fork, 1985, Centennial, 5¢, Black
52. Angels Camp, ND(1966), Jumping Frog Jubilee, NV, Green
53. Brawley, 1970, Cattle Call & Rodeo, NV, set of 14
54. Chicago Park, 1988, Centennial, 5¢, Black
55. Coalinga, 1981, Diamond Jubilee, \$1.00, Black, 2"
56. Colton, 1962, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black
57. Colton, 1987, Centennial, NV, Black
58. Creston, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black
59. Delano, 1973, Centennial, 5¢, Blue
60. Escondido, 1971, Kit Carson Days, set of 3

**CALIFORNIA**

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on January 31, 2009.

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: [dluedtke8@wi.rr.com](mailto:dluedtke8@wi.rr.com)

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.  
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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Dear Members,

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I received a telephone call that resulted in a big OOPS! Somehow Gelvin Leeper was reported to be deceased back in 2004 and he was dropped from our membership. It seems like the report of Gelvin's demise was not true. Gelvin is alive and doing very well, still has his wooden money collection and is interested in remaining active in IOWMC. For those of you that knew Gelvin over the years, he was one of the founding members of the Missouri Valley Wooden Money Society and he sent out many Christmas woods over the years. Welcome back Gelvin.

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## EDITOR'S REPORT

I made a mistake in last month's Bunyan's Chips. The advertisement for the Hershey Coin Club woods stated that they were \$1.00 each plus a stamp. Member Neil College set me straight. Please note that they are 3 for \$1.00 plus a stamp. The Hershey Coin Club started issued sets of 4 wooden flats from 1968 through 1989 and rounds from 1966 through 2008 except 1968 which is a flat. Neil has back issues of almost all of them available for sale. The Hershey Coin Club also issued medals in antique bronze and silver. For the cost of a stamp Neil will send you a pricelist of all of the available woods and medals. His address is: 42 Litz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

As always, I am looking for your ideas for articles for Bunyan's Chips. You name it and I can probably write an article on it. All I'm missing are your ideas.

I have had several requests lately about the different series of Shippensburg wooden nickels. These series include 91 woods for the 240<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shippensburg in 1970 that were issued by the Shippensburg Committee, 132 woods issued for the State College centennial in 1971, and 202 woods issued for the USA bicentennial in 1976 that were issued by the Bicentennial Committee. Although the Shippensburg Coin Club assisted in the issuance of these issues, the local merchants association paid for those issued in 1970 and 1976, making them officials. Those issued in 1971 are semi-officials. I have included a comprehensive listing of these woods on pages 3/6.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### NEW MEMBER

Wally Pattengill LM55  
825 Pecos Dr  
Waco, TX 76708  
Sponsor: Darrell Luedtke

### ADDRESS CHANGES

Cecil Sanderson R2188  
PO Box 96  
Lyman, WY 82937-0096

Ronald Willadsen CLM191  
PO Box 7  
Fountain City, WI 54629-0007

### DON'T FORGET THOSE DUES

Please send me your dues of \$7.50 made out to IOWMC and send to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502. We will be sending your membership cards soon and want to make sure you are included!

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – February, 2009

### Checking Account

Balance	\$2101.74
Interest	0.81
Balance Forward	\$2132.55

### Regular Savings

Balance	\$ 2609.68
Interest	1.98
Balance Forward	\$ 2611.66

### Life Membership

Balance	\$ 2579.28
Interest	1.96
Balance Forward	\$ 2581.24

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## SHIPPENSBURG WOODEN MONEY

### By Darrell Luedtke

There were 3 series of wooden money that were issued in Shippensburg, PA that were not documented previously in the Guide Book of Wooden Money. These series include 91 woods for the 240<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shippensburg in 1970 that were issued by the Shippensburg Committee, 132 woods issued for the State College centennial in 1971, and 202 woods issued for the USA bicentennial in 1976 that were issued by the Bicentennial Committee. Although the Shippensburg Coin Club assisted in the issuance of these issues, the local merchants association paid for those issued in 1970 and 1976, making them officials. Those issued in 1971 are semi-officials. Here is a listing of all 3 series for your reference

#### Shippensburg, 1970 (240<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

(7 series, totaling 91 woods, were issued by the Shippensburg Committee. Merchants/sponsors names appear on the woods.)

B - Bogar Lumber	NV	Blue
U - Jay Wright	NV	Blue
R - West End Fire	NV	Blue
G - Graham's	NV	Blue

#### Series I – SHIPPENSBURG - The Pioneer

S - Colonial House	NV	Red
H - Kenneth Hale	NV	Red
I - First National	NV	Red
P - Town Cleaners	NV	Red
P - Pete's Plumb.	NV	Red
E - Trindel's	NV	Red
N - McCune Lbr.	NV	Red
S - Shippensburg CC	NV	Red
B - Barbour	NV	Red
U - Baker & Russell	NV	Red
R - Rhinehart	NV	Red
G - Martin Bros.	NV	Red

#### Series V – SHIPPENSBURG - Old Water Wheel On Branch

S - Shippen Clean.	NV	Brown
H - H-P Stores	NV	Brown
I - Fogelsanger	NV	Brown
P - Jay Dee	NV	Brown
P - Western Auto	NV	Brown
E - E & S Cut Rate	NV	Brown
N - Coover's Radio	NV	Brown
S - Valley Comp.	NV	Brown
B - Ben Kasper	NV	Brown
U - Martin's Serv.	NV	Brown
R - Ray Rhinehart	NV	Brown
G - G.C. Murphy	NV	Brown

#### Series II – SHIPPENSBURG - Town Fountain

S - Victory Theatre	NV	Green
H - Heckman's	NV	Green
I - Follow Charlie	NV	Green
P - Kuhn's Studio	NV	Green
P - Best TV	NV	Green
E - Cumberland	NV	Green
N - Dave Russell	NV	Green
S - Smith's Gas	NV	Green
B - Beidel Printing	NV	Green
U - Justice F.H.	NV	Green
R - Roth's Furn.	NV	Green
G - Cressler's	NV	Green

#### Series VI – SHIPPENSBURG - C.V. R.R. Station

S - Democratic Club	NV	Red
H - Robert T. Henry	NV	Red
I - C.V. Hose	NV	Red
P - Poly Clean	NV	Red
P - Worth's	NV	Red
E - Fogelsanger's	NV	Red
N - Treat Drive-In	NV	Red
S - Squires	NV	Red
B - Baughman's	NV	Red
U - Diffy's Drive-In	NV	Red
R - Rice's Barber	NV	Red
G - D & L Gulf	NV	Red

#### Series III – SHIPPENSBURG - W.M. & P.& R. R.R. Station

S - Supreme Dairy	NV	Purple
H - H&H Chevrolet	NV	Purple
I - Fogelsonger	NV	Purple
P - Kathryn's	NV	Purple
P - Weaver's	NV	Purple
E - Mell's Esso	NV	Purple
N - John Franklin	NV	Purple
S - Silco	NV	Purple
B - Beedle's	NV	Purple
U - Peoples Nat'l	NV	Purple
R - Ramp's East	NV	Purple
G - Galen Gates	NV	Purple

#### Series VII – SHIPPENSBURG PENNA - Black Bear Hotel

S - Swid Bros.	NV	Black
H - J.A. Hargelroad	NV	Black
I - R.B. Miller	NV	Black
P - Republican	NV	Black
P - Jack Coy	NV	Black
E - Mummert's	NV	Black
N - Bill Warren	NV	Black
S - Stationary	NV	Black
B - Valley Baking	NV	Black
U - Martin's	NV	Black
R - Burkhardt's	NV	Black
G - Goodhart	NV	Black

#### Series IV – SHIPPENSBURG - Public Library

S - Hendshews	NV	Blue
H - Combination	NV	Blue
I - Mowery's	NV	Blue
P - Fishers	NV	Blue
P - Van Seyoc	NV	Blue
E - Ed Naugle	NV	Blue
N - Detwiler's	NV	Blue
S - Ice & Cold Stor.	NV	Blue

P - Brener's	NV	Black
E - Vigilant Hose	NV	Black
N - News-Chronicle	NV	Black
N - Redding's	NV	Black
A - Durff-Kuhn	NV	Black

## Shippensburg, 1971 (State College Centennial)

(6 series, totaling 132 woods, were issued by the Shippensburg State College Centennial Committee. They were sponsored by merchants, whose names appear on the woods.)

## Series I – Old Main

## SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE

S – Shippensburg CC	NV	Brown
H - Kenneth Hale	NV	Brown
I - First Nat'l Bank	NV	Brown
P - Pete's	NV	Brown
P - Towne Clean.	NV	Brown
E - Trindel's	NV	Brown
N - McCune	NV	Brown
S - Bowers	NV	Brown
B - J. W. Barbour	NV	Brown
U - Baker & Russell	NV	Brown
R - G.E. Rhinehart	NV	Brown
G - Martin Bros.	NV	Brown
S - Victory	NV	Brown
T - Heckman's	NV	Brown
A - Follow Charlie	NV	Brown
T - Best TV	NV	Brown
E - Kuhn's	NV	Brown
C - Cumberland	NV	Brown
O - Dave Russell	NV	Brown
L - Smith's	NV	Brown
L - Beidel Printing	NV	Brown
E - J. Frank Pugh	NV	Brown
G - Roth's	NV	Brown
E - Cressler's	NV	Brown

## Series II – Little Red Schoolhouse

## SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE

S - Silco	NV	Red
H - H&H Chevrolet	NV	Red
I - Fogelsonger	NV	Red
P - Kathryn's	NV	Red
P - Weaver's	NV	Red
E - Mell's	NV	Red
N - News-Chronicle	NV	Red
S - Wayne Warren	NV	Red
B - Beedle's	NV	Red
U - People's	NV	Red
R - Ramp's	NV	Red
G - Galen Gates	NV	Red
S - Ice & Cold Stor.	NV	Red
T - Combination	NV	Red
A - Mowery's	NV	Red
T - Bill Warren	NV	Red
E - Fisher's	NV	Red
C - Ed Naugle	NV	Red
O - Detwiler's	NV	Red
L - Elmer J. Gruver	NV	Red
L - Bogar Lumber	NV	Red
E - Jay Wright	NV	Red
G - Colonial House	NV	Red
E - Graham's	NV	Red

Series III – Ezra Lehman Memorial Library  
SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE

S - 1 Hr. Cleaners	NV	Black
H - H-P Stores	NV	Black
I - Fogelsanger	NV	Black
P - Jay Dee	NV	Black
P - Western Auto	NV	Black
E - E&S Cut Rate	NV	Black

N - Coover's	NV	Black
S - Valley Comp.	NV	Black
B - Ben Kasper	NV	Black
U - Martin's	NV	Black
R - Ray Rhinehart	NV	Black
G - G.C. Murphy	NV	Black

S - Squires	NV	Black
T - Robert T Henry	NV	Black
A - C.V. Hose Co.	NV	Black
T - Worth's	NV	Black
E - James L. Nehf	NV	Black
C - Fogelsanger's	NV	Black
O - Treat Drive-In	NV	Black
L - Democratic	NV	Black
L - Legion Post 223	NV	Black
E - Dify's	NV	Black
G - Rice's	NV	Black
E - D&L Gulf	NV	Black

Series IV – Kriner Hall  
SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE

S - Swid Bros.	NV	Green
H - Hargleroad	NV	Green
I - R.B. Miller	NV	Green
P - Brener's	NV	Green
P - Jack Coy	NV	Green
E - Vigilant Hose	NV	Green
N - Jesse Frey	NV	Green
S - Stationery	NV	Green
B - Valley Baking	NV	Green
U - Karper	NV	Green
R - Burkhardt's	NV	Green
G - Goodhart's	NV	Green

S - Republican	NV	Green
T - Mummert's	NV	Green
A - Miller-Reed	NV	Green
T - Kirby's	NV	Green
E - VFW Post	NV	Green
C - Campus Clean.	NV	Green
O - Hockersmith's	NV	Green
L - Sterrett's	NV	Green
L - Jones Auto	NV	Green
E - Pizza House	NV	Green
G - Kelley's	NV	Green
E - Howard Bock	NV	Green

Series V – Field House  
SHIPPENSBURG STATE COLLEGE

S - Shetron's	NV	Purple
H - Henry's	NV	Purple
I - WSHP Radio	NV	Purple
P - Parr's	NV	Purple
P - Robert Crouse	NV	Purple
E - House of Pizza	NV	Purple
N - Harry Doyle	NV	Purple
S - Starry's	NV	Purple
B - Bill's Mobile	NV	Purple
U - Bee's Yarn	NV	Purple
R - Ripple's	NV	Purple
G - Biggler's	NV	Purple

S - J. Marlin Mohn	NV	Purple
T - L.F. Traini	NV	Purple
A - Sherman	NV	Purple
T - Noaker's	NV	Purple
E - Hershey's	NV	Purple

C - College Stores	NV	Purple
O - Jack Mellott	NV	Purple
L - Wynkoop's	NV	Purple
L - Hippensteele	NV	Purple
E - Richardson's	NV	Purple
G - Goody's	NV	Purple
E - Raymond Smith	NV	Purple

## Series VI - Naugle Hall

## PENNSYLVANIA

P - Cramer's	NV	Blue
E - Valley Mutual	NV	Blue
N - Sugar Bowl	NV	Blue
N - Ausherman	NV	Blue
S - Pague & Fegan	NV	Blue
Y - B&J Hershey	NV	Blue
L - Porter's	NV	Blue
V - Univ. Lodge	NV	Blue
A - C.W. Smith	NV	Blue
N - Glenn Miller's	NV	Blue
I - Fogelsanger's	NV	Blue
A - John W. Reed	NV	Blue

## Shippensburg, 1976 (USA Bicentennial)

(5 series, totaling 202 woods, were issued by the Shippensburg Bicentennial Committee. They were sponsored by merchants, whose names appear on the woods.)

## Series I - Flag, Drummer &amp; Fife

## 200TH BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2 - IWMP	NV	Red
0 - McCune	NV	Red
0 - Colonial House	NV	Red
T - Justice Funeral	NV	Red
H - Jean Downing	NV	Red
B - Rice's	NV	Red
I - Gilbert's	NV	Red
C - Romaine	NV	Red
E - Shippensburg CC	NV	Red
N - Bud Rhinehart	NV	Red
T - Cramer Music	NV	Red
E - Goody's	NV	Red
N - H&H Chevrolet	NV	Red
N - Hughes	NV	Red
I - John Stouffer	NV	Red
A - C.V.S.I.	NV	Red
L - Jay Wright	NV	Red
O - Beauty Salon	NV	Red
F - Smoke City	NV	Red
U - Bowers	NV	Red
N - Shetron's	NV	Red
I - H.M. Farmer's	NV	Red
T - Martin's	NV	Red
E - Geo. E. Reese	NV	Red
D - Mowery's	NV	Red
S - Donald Bard	NV	Red
T - Squires	NV	Red
A - Noaker's	NV	Red
T - Towne Clean.	NV	Red
E - Ken Goshorn	NV	Red
S - News Chron.	NV	Red

## Series II - Flag

## 200TH BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

O - Myers	NV	Red
F - B&J Hershey's	NV	Red
A - Stouffer's	NV	Red
M - Beistle Co.	NV	Red
E - Allen & Perry	NV	Red
R - First National	NV	Red
I - John Snyder	NV	Red
C - Ripple's	NV	Red
A - Miller's	NV	Red
2 - Patriotic Order	NV	Blue
O - Vigilant Hose	NV	Blue
O - Valley Comp.	NV	Blue
T - J. Raymond	NV	Blue
H - Junior Civic	NV	Blue
B - Violet Cassner	NV	Blue
I - Horsy's	NV	Blue
C - Pyne's	NV	Blue
E - Weaver's	NV	Blue
N - Henry Rexall	NV	Blue
T - Ray Smith	NV	Blue
E - Rockwell	NV	Blue
N - Beidel	NV	Blue
N - Fisher's	NV	Blue
I - Fredinger	NV	Blue
A - John W. Reed	NV	Blue
L - Coover's	NV	Blue
O - Brener's	NV	Blue
F - Vapor Jet	NV	Blue
U - Martin's	NV	Blue
N - House of Pizza	NV	Blue
I - James L. Nehf	NV	Blue
T - Kirby Plumb.	NV	Blue
E - J. William	NV	Blue
D - Wayne Warren	NV	Blue
S - Pete's Plumb.	NV	Blue
T - Bogar Lumber	NV	Blue
A - Miller-Reed	NV	Blue
T - Tropical Treat	NV	Blue
E - Karper	NV	Blue
S - Shippen TV	NV	Blue
O - M. Arthur Diehl	NV	Blue
F - Fogelsanger's	NV	Blue
A - Stationery	NV	Blue
M - Bigler's	NV	Blue
E - Beedle's	NV	Blue
R - Mellott's	NV	Blue
I - Republican	NV	Blue
C - Zimmerman	NV	Blue
A - Best TV	NV	Blue

## Series III – Constitution Hall

## 200TH BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2 - Marlin Mohn	NV	Green
0 - Martin Bros.	NV	Green
0 - Farmer's	NV	Green
T - Rosenberry	NV	Green
H - Sandra Noel's	NV	Green

B - Burkhart's	NV	Green
I - Stake's	NV	Green
C - Myers Mobil	NV	Green
E - Fogelsanger	NV	Green
N - Coy's	NV	Green
T - Porter's	NV	Green
E - Coll. Cinema	NV	Green
N - Kathryn's	NV	Green
N - Peggy Etter	NV	Green
I - Valley Baking	NV	Green
A - Wiser's	NV	Green
L - Charlie's	NV	Green
O - Ben Kasper	NV	Green
F - Ice & Cold Stor.	NV	Green

U - Pague & Fegan	NV	Green
N - Swisher's	NV	Green
I - Carl L. Cramer	NV	Green
T - Barnhart's	NV	Green
E - Hub City Club	NV	Green
D - Glenn Miller's	NV	Green

S - Charles Kelso	NV	Green
T - Jones Service	NV	Green
A - Follow Charlie	NV	Green
T - Mell's Exxon	NV	Green
E - Goodhart	NV	Green
S - Richard Ordway	NV	Green

O - New Look	NV	Green
F - Harold I. Bard	NV	Green
A - Ed Naugle	NV	Green
M - Pete's	NV	Green
E - Brookside	NV	Green
R - Barnes	NV	Green
I - Hershey's	NV	Green
C - Ben & Gene's	NV	Green
A - Sherman	NV	Green

## Series IV – Liberty Bell

## 200TH BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2 - People's Nat'l.	NV	Purple
0 - Wayne Craig	NV	Purple
0 - Lautsbaugh	NV	Purple
T - St. Andrew's	NV	Purple
H - Gettle's	NV	Purple

B - Church of God	NV	Purple
I - Sun Village	NV	Purple
C - Fort Morris	NV	Purple
E - Dice & Lytle	NV	Purple
N - L.F. Traini	NV	Purple
T - Orrstown Bank	NV	Purple
E - Dubb's	NV	Purple
N - Dewalt	NV	Purple
N - Black's	NV	Purple
I - Kyner's	NV	Purple
A - Shirley Waller	NV	Purple
L - Cardinal's	NV	Purple

O - Runanmar	NV	Purple
F - West End Fire	NV	Purple

U - Kuhn's	NV	Purple
N - J.A. Hargleroad	NV	Purple
I - R.F. Rhinehart	NV	Purple
T - Charlie's	NV	Purple
E - K.F.C.	NV	Purple
D - G.C. Murphy	NV	Purple
S - Galen Gates	NV	Purple
T - Heckman's	NV	Purple
A - Park Lane	NV	Purple
T - Shippen Clean.	NV	Purple
E - W.S.H.P.	NV	Purple
S - Automotive	NV	Purple
O - Bee's	NV	Purple
F - Richardson's	NV	Purple
A - Famous Texas	NV	Purple
M - Eschenmann's	NV	Purple
E - Cressler's	NV	Purple
R - Dale W. Starry	NV	Purple
I - Shoemaker's	NV	Purple
C - S.D. Jones	NV	Purple
A - R. Koontz	NV	Purple

## Series V – Minuteman

## 200TH BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2 - Pierce Equip.	NV	Black
0 - Ray Rhinehart	NV	Black
0 - Howard Bock	NV	Black
T - Simone's	NV	Black
H - Henry's	NV	Black
B - Goodhart's	NV	Black
I - Cressler	NV	Black
C - Stouffer's	NV	Black
E - College Book	NV	Black
N - Jeffery Miller	NV	Black
T - Smoke's	NV	Black
E - Bowers	NV	Black
N - Coons	NV	Black
N - Marty's	NV	Black
I - Wynkoop's	NV	Black
A - Kenneth Hale	NV	Black
L - Mummert's	NV	Black
O - Fogelsonger	NV	Black
F - Spidle's	NV	Black

U - Johnston Bldg.	NV	Black
N - Fogelsanger	NV	Black
I - Washinger	NV	Black
T - Albright	NV	Black
E - Stouffer	NV	Black
D - Dana Rotz	NV	Black
S - Community Fair	NV	Black
T - Cumberland	NV	Black
A - Michael Smith	NV	Black
T - Hist. Society	NV	Black
E - SKF Industries	NV	Black
S - William Murray	NV	Black
O - Benders	NV	Black
F - Toll Gate	NV	Black
A - Rosenberry	NV	Black
M - Martin M. Fehl	NV	Black
E - Investors	NV	Black
R - Neil's	NV	Black
I - Weaver Bros.	NV	Black
C - Area Jaycees	NV	Black
A - Civic Club	NV	Black

**HERSHEY CC**

2008, 2007 and 2006 Hershey Coin Club wooden nickels. **3 for \$1 plus a stamp.** Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

**CHARLESTON COIN CLUB**

West Virginia's Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for its Nov 1-2 show in the Civic Center. Show information appears on one side and a Buffalo' appears on the other. Price of the new wood is 50 cents each plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Orders should be submitted to Don Clifford, c/o Charleston Coin Club, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some back issues remain. A list is available upon request.

**FISHBOWL WOODEN NICKEL CC**

The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club held their annual coin show on Saturday, August 2, 2008, at the Siren Senior Center in Siren, Wisconsin. The new 2008 wood features a wolverine. It is available for \$0.25 plus a SASE. Send your request to: Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club, c/o Gary Schauls, 2702 150<sup>th</sup> Street, Luck, WI 54853-3811.

**HIAWATHA CC**

The Hiawatha, Iowa Coin Club has designed a wooden nickel for the Hiawatha Lions Club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The wood's theme is the club's annual Hog Wild Days, scheduled for June 19-22, 2008. The Lions use all money from the event to support community projects and sight programs year around. Wooden nickels may be obtained by donating to the Hiawatha Lions club and a SASE. Orders may be sent to Hiawatha Coin Club, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081.

**DELAWARE COUNTY COIN CLUB**

The Delaware County Coin Club issued a wooden nickel in 2008 to commemorate Newton Township's octagonal one-room fieldstone school house that was built in 1842. The school was closed shortly after the Civil War, restored, and listed in 2006 in the National Register of Historic Places. To order, send 50¢ plus a SASE with 62¢ postage to: Wooden Two Cents, Delaware County Coin Club, PO Box 5252, Springfield, PA 19064. An illustrated list of more than 30 previous woods will accompany the order or may be requested separately for a SASE.

**MICHIGAN OFFICIAL WOODEN MONEY BOOKS**

IOWMC has copies of Floyd Hartley's Michigan Official Wooden Money book for sale for \$4.00, including postage. All proceeds go to IOWMC.

**WOODEN POKER CHIPS**

P;a-M-Well, blue, red and white, set of 3 wooden poker chips, \$3.00 postpaid. Order and questions to: Al Zaika, 201 Bergen Ave., Bellmawr, NJ 08031.

**TRADE**

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

**I NEED TO MAKE ROOM**

I have boxes and boxes full of supplies. I have more than 1,000 used plastic display pages. Most are 20-pocket but I also have others. Free if you pay the postage. First-come, first-served basis. These are usually 60¢ each if purchased new but they are free for a limited time. Send requests to Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132, phone: (414) 427-0391, email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING FEBRUARY 28, 2009**

Note: Final figures are in for the December mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 5 - \$1.80, 6 - \$1.50, 8 - \$1.80, 9 - \$1.50, 10 - \$1.80, 11 - \$1.80, 12 - \$1.50, 14 - \$1.50, 15 - \$1.50, 17 - \$1.50, 23 - \$1.50, 26 - \$1.50, 27 - \$1.80, 28 - \$1.50, 30 - \$12.00, 31 - \$5.00, 32 - \$5.00, 34 - \$2.10, 36 - \$1.50, 37 - \$5.00, 39 - \$1.50, 40 - \$12.00, 42 - \$1.50, 43 - \$1.50, 46 - \$6.15, 48 - \$1.80, 49 - \$1.25, 50 - \$1.25, 51 - \$1.50, 52 - \$1.50, 53 - \$1.40, 54 - \$1.25, 55 - \$1.25, 56 - \$1.25, 57 - \$1.25, 58 - \$1.60, 59 - \$1.25, 60 - \$1.25, 61 - \$1.25, 62 - \$1.25, 63 - \$1.25. Total = \$92.80. 10% to IOWMC = \$9.28. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage  
All are California**

1. Feather River/1983/(1<sup>st</sup> Annual Railroad Days/Set of 2
2. Feather River/1984/2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Railroad Days/Set of 2
3. Felton/1968/Centennial/Set of 2
4. Fort Jones/1972/Incorporation Centennial/5¢/Black
5. Fortuna/1958/Annual Fortuna Rodeo/NV/Red
6. Fremont/ND/Historic Niles Participating Shops/5¢/Red on white
7. Glendora/1987/100th Anniversary/5¢/Black
8. Half Moon Bay/ND(1987)/C of C Pumpkin Festival/Set of 2
9. Hawthorne/1969/California Centennial/C of C/5¢/Black
10. Hawthorne/1970/48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/C of C/5¢/Black
11. Hawthorne/1971/49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/C of C/5¢/Black
12. Hawthorne/1972/Golden Anniversary/Set of 2
13. Hawthorne/1972/Golden Ann & Old Timers Reunion/Set of 2
14. Hollister/1972/Centennial/5¢/Black
15. Holtville/1968/21<sup>th</sup> Annual Carrot Carnival/5¢/Red
16. Idyllwild/1969/11<sup>th</sup> Bear Festival/5¢/Black
17. Idyllwild/1970/12<sup>th</sup> Bear Festival/5¢/Black
18. Indio/1971/7<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour/5¢/Black
19. Inglewood/1958/Golden Anniversary/Set of 3
20. June Lake/1984/Frontier Days/5¢/Green
21. Kernville/1991/Whiskey Flat Days/5¢/Black
22. Kingsburg/1983/75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/5¢/Blue
23. Lakewood/1969/C of C 34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Set of 2
24. Lakewood/1970/Annual Parade Honors Chile/24¢/Red-Blue
25. Lakewood/1976/USA Bicentennial/NV/Blue
26. Laverne/1987/Centennial/NV/Green
27. Lemoore/1973/Centennial/25¢/Black
28. Livingston/1971/Centennial/5¢/Green
29. Long Beach/1973/85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/5¢/Red
30. Lower Lake/1989/Blackberry Festival/5¢/Purple
31. Lower Lake/1990/Blackberry Festival/5¢/Purple
32. Lower Lake/1991/Blackberry Festival/5¢/Purple
33. Madera County/1968/Diamond Jubilee/NV/Black
34. Maxwell/1978/Centennial/5¢/Black
35. Merced/ND/Merced County Fair/Set of 2
36. Millbrae/ND/Art & Wine Festival/C of C/Set of 2
37. Oakdale, 1971/Centennial/5¢/Black
38. Oceanside/1958/Diamond Jubilee/Set of 3
39. Pasadena/1968/Rose Parade/Tournament of Roses/NV/Red
40. Paso Robles/ND(1971)/Pioneer Day/C of C/NV/Brown
41. Pixley/1986/Jubilee Celebration - 100 Years/5¢/Black

42. Pomona/1975/Centennial/Set of 6
43. Porterville/1961/Centennial/5¢/Black
44. Rancho Cordova/ND(1986/C of C/5¢/Black
45. Ridgecrest/1967/Desert Empire Fair/5¢/Red
46. Rough & Ready/ND(1968)/Secession Days/5¢/Black
47. Rough & Ready/1969/Secession Days/NV/Black
48. Rough & Ready/1972/Secession Days/5¢/Black
49. Rough & Ready/1973/Secession Days/5¢/Blue
50. Rough & Ready/1974/Secession Days/With & Without Stamp/NV/Black
51. Rough & Ready/1975/Secession Days & Bicentennial/Set of 3
52. Rough & Ready/1976/Secession Days & Bicentennial/5¢/Black
53. Rough & Ready/1977/Secession Days/5¢/Black
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57. Rough & Ready/1981/Secession Days/5¢/Black
58. Rough & Ready/1982/Secession Days/5¢/Black
59. Rough & Ready/1983/Secession Days/5¢/Black
60. Rough & Ready/1984/Secession Days/Set of 2
61. Rough & Ready/1985/Secession Days/5¢/Black
62. Rough & Ready/1986/Secession Days/Set of 2
63. Rough & Ready/1987/Secession Days/5¢/Black
64. Rough & Ready/1988/Secession Days/5¢/Black
65. Rough & Ready/1990/Secession Days/5¢/Black
66. Rough & Ready/1991/Secession Days/5¢/Black
67. Rough & Ready/1992/Secession Days/5¢/Black
68. Rough & Ready/1993/Secession Days/5¢/Black
69. Rough & Ready/1994/Secession Days/5¢/Black
70. Salinas/ND/Rodeo/NV/Red
71. San Buenaventura/1966/Centennial/5¢/Black
72. San Clemente/1988/60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/NV/Blue
73. San Jose/1969/Rodeo De Las Rosas Festival/5¢/Black
74. San Jose/ND(1997)/International Beer Festival/Set of )
75. Scotts Valley/1966/Civic Celebration/C of C/Set of 2
76. Soledad/ND/Mission Fiesta Frog Jump/Set of 3
77. Sunland-Tujunga/1954/Old Timers Week/Set of 3
78. Taft/1965/Oildorado/Set of 3
79. Taft/1975/Oildorado/Set of 3
80. Tracy/ND/12<sup>th</sup> Annual California Dry Bean Festival/NV/Brown/2"
81. Turlock/1958/Golden Anniversary/Set of 3
82. Whiskey Flat/1981/Gold Miners Hoedown/5¢/Red
83. Woodland/1961/Centennial/5¢/Black-Red

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on February 28, 2009.

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- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.  
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
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- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

It is my sad duty to report that M. Wayne Dennis passed away on Feb. 9, 2008 at the age of 83. A Henderson resident since 1983, Wayne was born Aug. 1, 1925, in Mount Grove, Mo. He was a retired meat cutter. Wayne is survived by his wife, Virginia; son, Ronald; brothers Norman, Bertie and Darrell; sister, Carol Green; five grandchildren; and eight grandchildren. Private graveside services were held Feb. 14 at Palm Mortuary-Henderson.

Wayne began collecting wooden money in 1962 and, in 1964, became charter member #171 of IOWMC. He was also a member of the California State Numismatic Association where he was elected to the Board of Governors and was editor of their newsletter for 4 years, the ANA and other numismatic organizations. For IOWMC he was president in 1977-1978, served as Awards Chairman, and assisted the By-Laws Chairman in updating the Constitution and By-Laws. He was an avid exhibitor of wooden money at local coin shows. He is mostly known among collectors for co-publishing the book "Wooden Money, First Supplement, 1972" with Tom Hudson which includes 1966-1972 official and semi-official issues for the United States and all known issues for Canada; co-publishing the "Guidebook of Wooden Money, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1977" with Tom Hudson; and writing the "Guidebook of Wooden Money, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1995" by himself.

Expressions of sympathy can be mailed to Virginia at: 1852 Golden Shadow Dr., Henderson, NV 89002-8620.

Please see the section "Nomination of Officers / Annual Business Meeting" on page 3 for important news.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

## EDITOR'S REPORT

Another oops. We were contacted by Brian Stone. He was life member #40 when somehow his membership was cancelled in January, 2007. For this we apologize. Brian has been supplied with all copies of Bunyan's Chips that he missed. We welcome him back to IWOMC.

An interesting thing happened in the January mail bid. We had more collectors bidding than ever and everyone bid on the 1959 Baldwin County, Alabama wooden nickel. Although not stated on the wood, this was the sesquicentennial for the county. Collector Norman Fletcher won the wood with a bid of \$5.05. He stated that he has been looking for the wood for 30 years and made several trips to Baldwin County in his efforts to find one. Obviously, the Guide Book price of \$2.00 does not reflect its rarity.

As a follow-up the article in the January issue of Bunyan's Chips addressing "How Do You Ship Wooden Nickels", Lou Vesh sent me an 9" x 12" envelope that contained a piece of 8½"x 11" corrugated cardboard. The cardboard had home made, die cut holes the size of wooden nickels and wooden nickels were inserted into the holes. Paper that was sprayed with temporary glue was fastened to both sides of the cardboard after the wooden nickels were inserted. Lou stated that this is how the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors ships woods to members. It worked. Even though the envelope passed through automatic sorting equipment somewhere along the line, the woods were not broken. Thanks to our Canadian friends for the tip. As always, I am looking for your ideas for articles for Bunyan's Chips. You name it and I can probably write an article on it. All I'm missing are your ideas.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### NEW JUNIOR MEMBER

Tommy Wagner - R2443  
975 Schmidt Rd  
Marion OH 43302-9425  
Sponsor: James Uline  
Just starting out so collecting everything

### NEW ADDRESS

Frank Kozma, Jr. R1052  
212 N Beaumont Avenue  
Kissimmee, FL 34741-5141

### RETURNING MEMBER

Brian Stone - LM40  
115 Comer Yawn Rd  
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If you haven't paid your dues, you will not be receiving any more publications, so please get your dues in ASAP to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon, NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – March, 2009

Checking Account	
Previous Balance	\$2132.55
Dues	397.50
Donation	8.00
Wood Books Sale	8.30
Mail Bids	92.16
Interest	0.57
Balance Forward	\$2639.08

Regular Savings	
Balance	\$ 2611.66
Interest	1.88
Balance Forward	\$ 2613.54

Life Membership	
Balance	\$ 2581.24
Interest	1.86
Balance Forward	\$ 2583.10

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## **NOMINATION OF OFFICERS / ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

The By-Laws state that nominations for officers are to be made every 2 years and that no officers may run for 2 consecutive terms. Since all of the current officers have been in their positions for 2 years, we need nominations for President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Board of Governors I. The election will take place in August.

There is no stipulation in the By-Laws as to where the annual business meeting can be held. Normally it is held in conjunction with the ANA convention. This year the ANA convention is being held in Los Angeles. In the past we always were given a room for our business meeting and a table on the bourse free of charge. This year the ANA decided that they were going to charge us \$100 for the table on the bourse. The only other time they charged us was in Baltimore in 1985 and opted out. A meeting was held in a hotel room. Back in the old days there were normally about 20 members attending. With the membership aging fewer are able to travel and we haven't had a quorum of officers present in at least 15 years to hold a business meeting. In addition, our presence on the bourse the past 2 years has resulted in 1 new member each time. As a result, I telephoned each of our club's officers and it was a unanimous decision to forego this year's convention.

### **BUMBLE BEE IS A GHOST TOWN** **Copied from the Arizona Republic, July 28, 1974**

After 11 years of pretending to be a title, this sun-bleached bump of Arizona has finally become a ghost town. Bumble Bee was born in 1863, died June 27, 1974, when lawyers and signatures settled the \$100,000 sale of its two dozen buildings and 300 acres to San Franciscan millionaire lumberman Geo A. Pope, Jr. Purchaser Pope has padlocked history by closing the town and evicting its population of three, which, since the 1972 death of former owner Charlie Penn, had kept the town intact for world tourists. Unfriendly signs containing no apologies or sorrow ("This Place is No Longer Open...Keep Out...Closed to Public") blockade the Bumble Bee Trading Post. Town toilets have been locked with ten-penny nails and bailing wire.

There is only one living soul left among the ghosts of Bumble Bee. But whiskery Peter Weir, face well earned by his 63 years, is only here as a janitor, hired by Pope to guard against the looting of the town antiques and the western junk that will become antiques. Weir, a hand from the surrounding 107,000 acres of the Black Canyon Ranch – another Pope possession – is a talking book of Bumble Bee history. He knows of its 1863 beginning as Snider's Station, a stage coach stop between Prescott and Phoenix. He has studied the years when it was a cavalry station and mining center. Weir can take anyone to the cracked foundations and old graveyards marking the two spots where Bumble Bee sat before it was relocated and restored on its present site in 1938. And he has lived its last 40 years when it was owned by Edna Martin, who sold out to Don Robinson, who sold out to Jack DiMaggio, who sold out to retired publisher Charlie Penn in 1954. "Those were the good days and good people," Weir said in his slow, rusty, New Mexico drawl. He took off his cowboy felt, used a stick to scratch some of his forehead grease from its brim, and thought some more. Edna Robinson, DiMaggio and finally old Charlie. They're all gone and Bumble Bee hasn't been the same since they left. So I'm not really sad at the way the town is now. What I loved about this place went a long time ago and it ain't gonna come back.

No one knows, least of all Weir, what will happen to Bumble Bee. Guy Mitchell of nearby Squaw Valley, manager of Pope's land, cattle, lumber and water drilling operations in Arizona, can only second-guess opinions into a series of maybes. Maybe Bumble Bee will be left to rot. Maybe, said Mitchell, it will be moved back to one of its original sites and rebuilt. Maybe, as has been rumored by Turkey Creek oldtimers like Weir, it might be bulldozed to make way for some fancy, summer cabin development.

"You can hear and believe just about anything you want to hear and believe in those hills," Mitchell said. "But nothing is definite except that it will be some time before we decide anything." Meanwhile, the tourists in their station wagons and Jeeps continue to stop at Bumble Bee, read the signs and leave in sadness.

It is possible that many sense the irony here. For more than a century, Bumble Bee stumbled along on little revenues and with no more purpose than that of any curiosity. Now that is part of one man's empire which totals millions. And the prosperity, certainly rarity, maybe permanently, has killed Bumble Bee.

Editor's Note: "YOU'LL NEVER GET STUNG WITH BUMBLE BEE MONEY" was printed on 4 wooden nickels (5¢, 10¢, 25¢, \$1.00 denominations) and 3 pieces of paper scrip (\$1, \$5, \$10 denominations) that were sold to tourists at a slight discount. The tourists could use the money at many shops that were open at that time.

## SHREWSBURY WOODEN MONEY

By Darrell Luedtke

In 1984 Shrewsbury, PA celebrated its sesquicentennial by issuing 4 wooden nickels. The officially issued wooden nickels are considered as Series I, are flats and are worth 5¢ each. In addition to the officially issued wooden nickels, Thil Mehl and the local coin club solicited local merchants, whose names appear on the woods, and issued a series of semi-official wooden nickels that are considered as Series II. They are listed as follows.

Shrewsbury, 1984 (Sesquicentennial)

Series I	5¢	Black
Series I	5¢	Blue
Series I	5¢	Green
Series I	5¢	Red

Series II

S - Shrewsbury	NV	Blue
H - Hostetter's	NV	Blue
R - Ritzman's	NV	Blue
E - EPSCO	NV	Blue
W - Wagner's	NV	Blue
S - Concrete Co.	NV	Blue
B - Brockmeyer	NV	Blue
U - Saubel's	NV	Blue
R - Coover's	NV	Blue
Y - Country Shop	NV	Blue
P - Book Peddler	NV	Blue
A - The Factory	NV	Blue
S - Silgaugh	NV	Blue
E - Ed Saxe	NV	Blue
S - Shaffer's	NV	Blue
Q - McCrory's	NV	Blue
U - Video Station	NV	Blue
I - Flowers By Jane	NV	Blue
C - Century 21	NV	Blue
E - Clothes Corner	NV	Blue
N - J & N Crafts	NV	Blue
T - Thomas' Store	NV	Blue
E - Miles Appliance	NV	Blue
N - Martin's	NV	Blue
N - M & C	NV	Blue
I - Hardware	NV	Blue
A - Anderson Feed	NV	Blue
L - Thil Mehl	NV	Blue

## A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By Bob Brown

I recently received the following wood from Rich Boyles that is not in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". It is from Turlock, CA and is the traditional red in color and has a Type 6 reverse.

Anyone who has any Dairy Queen's to report please send me good clear copies of the wood, or the wood itself if you are willing to part with it, and I will see that it is listed in a future Dairy Queen Update and you will be given credit for reporting it.

Send any information to me at P. O. Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034. Thanks to all who have sent in information in the past.



## **GOSHENHOPPEN FOLK FESTIVAL**

### **By Darrell Luedtke**

Goschenhoppen, an 18<sup>th</sup> century name still used today, is one of the oldest continuously existing Pennsylvania German communities in America. The origin of the name Goschenhoppen is lost, but locals say that the soil is so rocky that when the German settlers plowed their fields the plow would hit a rock, jump up and hit them in the "gosch" (jaw).

The Goschenhoppen Historians Inc., was founded in 1964 in order to preserve the folk culture of the area's earliest immigrant settlers, known as the Pennsylvania Germans. Incorporated as an educational organization on June 4, 1965, it has grown and prospered and has met, admirably, the many varied challenges of its social commitment to foster and maintain respect for the ingenuity, faith and determination of these settlers.

Among the many activities in which the historians are engaged are: regular monthly meetings with planned programs; educational seminars; a collection of folklore and folk tunes from the last generation possessing knowledge of the 19th century culture; the development of youth organizations and youth appreciation of folk culture; continuing restoration of the Henry Antes House and property surrounding it; the establishment of a folklife museum; the creation of a country-store museum; the establishment of a library of prime source materials; the documentation of quilts; the teaching of the Pennsylvania German dialect; the publishing of a monthly newsletter and of the *Intelligencer*, a newspaper for its festival. In addition, the restoration and maintenance of Red Men's Hall, the Antes House and the annual Folk Festival are the three primary ways the Historians accomplish this mission. The Antes House, built by Henry Antes in 1736, has been designated a National Historic Landmark as an outstanding example of Pennsylvania German architecture in the mid-18th century and in recognition of Henry Antes' contributions to Colonial America.

The annual Goschenhoppen Folk Festival, started in 1967, is nationally recognized as an educational event to be enjoyed by the whole family. It is always held in August on the 2nd Saturday and the Friday before. It is a non-commercial family oriented day in Goschenhoppen. Old fashioned foods and Pennsylvania Dutch meals are for sale on the festival grounds. Young and old alike can leisurely enjoy more than 500 skilled and apprentice craftsmen giving live demonstrations of more than 150 skills of the 18th and 19th centuries. Dressed in authentic costumes of the periods (many of which are loaned from the Historian's extensive wardrobe), they use authentic tools in recreating traditional home skills, trades, pastimes, foods, and folk music. Stage programs and lectures both scholarly and entertaining, serious and humorous, in the dialect and in English are presented throughout the day.

Every year since 1967 the Goschenhoppen Folk Festival has issued at least one wooden nickel to commemorate the festival. The official city of issuance is Perkiomenville.

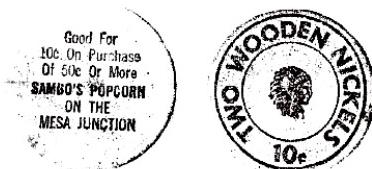
## **SAMBO'S CORNER - REVISITED**

### **By Bob Brown**

I received the wood shown below some time ago but have never been able to find out anything about it. Since it is from Mesa Junction I assumed it was from Arizona, but when I looked it up in the Zip Code Directory there was no Mesa Junction listed for Arizona. (Editor's note: This wood was traced to Sambo's in Pueblo, CO prior to publication.)

It is different from any Sambo's I have ever seen before, and I have a very large collection. It is the traditional red in color as were most Sambo's, except for the Bicentennials, but whereas most of them were for a meal or coffee this one is for 10¢ on the purchase of 50¢ or more of Sambo's Popcorn. I do not remember ever seeing a Sambo's token that said anything about popcorn before.

If anyone has any Sambo's that have not been previously listed in Merlin Malehorn's book "COFFEE ANYONE" write to me at P. O. Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034. Thanks in advance for any information you can provide.



**"OLD IRONSIDES" VISITS WASHINGTON STATE**  
**Reprinted from Bunyan's Chips, March 1978**  
**Originally submitted by: Vernon Brown**

In 1933, when the country was in the midst of the worst depression ever, the navy saw fit to dispatch its most famous warship, the United States Frigate-Constitution, better known to all of us as "Old Ironsides", on a tour of many of the nation's ports. The reason for this lengthy and time consuming voyage is vague, but most likely it was to show off the results of her complete rebuilding in 1929. Stopping a few days in each port of call allowed the local Chamber of Commerce or other interested groups time to promote their respective cities. She arrived in Washington waters on May 16 and left at the end of August. During her stay, she called at ports on the coast, in Puget Sound, and along the Columbia River. The length of stay in each port naturally depended on the size of the city, generally from seven to fifteen days.

The skipper of the U.S.F. Constitution was very appropriately named Gulliver-Commander Louis J. Gulliver. Unable to sail under her own power due to her age, she was towed from port to port by the navy minesweeper H.S.S. Grebe. The trip was widely acclaimed and several Washington cities issued wooden money to commemorate the historic visit. That money is the subject of this article.

Her first stop was at the coastal port of Grays Harbor, where the adjoining cities of Aberdeen and Hoquiam each issued different sized wooden pieces of different denominations. The pieces from Hoquiam, made from local plywood, were the largest both in size and in denomination (\$1.00) in comparison with those of other cities. The obverse and reverse were identical in design, painted in aluminum color, printed on in black ink, and bore a picture of the ship. It is believed that 100 were made. As far as it can be determined, less than 25 are in the hands of collectors. This piece is the most sought after and, by far, the most costly to acquire.

Aberdeen had 25,000 of its wooden 25¢ pieces issued. Two special stamping machines were designed by a local inventor, locksmith, and machinist by the name of Robert W. Bryan. The wood selected was dogwood, noted for its durability and strength. The stamping and milling were done in two separate steps, and then lacquered for protection. The ship stayed in port from May 16<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>, and the coins were redeemable until July 1, 1933. A story in the local paper tells of the Chamber of Commerce burning \$4,000.00 worth or 16,000 pieces, along with the dies and plates in a public ceremony on July 25<sup>th</sup>. This was done to insure the future value of the pieces. Aberdeen was celebrating its 43<sup>rd</sup> birthday at the time and used the face of the city's founder, Samuel Benn, who was 101 years old at the time, on the obverse, and "Old Ironsides" on the reverse. Mr. Benn died a year or so later.

When the Aberdeen piece was exposed to the public, it proved to be so popular that the American Legion Club of Bremerton had Mr. Bryan make 12,000 for the ship's visit there, and Longview, Washington also had a like amount minted. The rarity of these pieces is on a par with Aberdeen's.

Olympia produced the most unique of all the wood issued. It was called "Oyster" money after a local delicacy, the "Olympia Oyster". On the reverse, the words "Dig the Canal" refer to a popular dream at the time to build a canal from Olympia through Grays Harbor and on down to the Columbia River, making it possible for ocean going ships of all sizes to sail from Portland, Oregon up to Seattle, Washington without ever going on the ocean. It was never built, but it still pops up in the news occasionally. No figures are available as to the amount minted but the difficulty of getting one puts its rarity up there with Hoquiam.

Along with the wooden money, each port of call had special cachets made for stamp collectors and postmarked for each port. The ones from Grays Harbor say "her most western port of call". 4,500 were postmarked from there. During her stay at Grays Harbor, a total of 60,051 people were logged on board. The medal was made available to all visitors and sold for around 50¢ (brass and holed as made).

**FREMONT COIN CLUB**

The Fremont, Nebraska Coin Club has issued 2 wooden nickels, one in green and one in red, to commemorate their 50<sup>th</sup> annual coin show on May 30-31, 2009. The woods are available for 50 cents each plus a SASE. Send orders to Fremont Coin Club Inc., c/o William H. Passick, 1253 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Fremont, NE 68025-3268.

**SOUTH SHORE COIN CLUB**

The South Shore Coin Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin has issued a wooden nickel for its annual coin show on April 2-4, 2009. Price of the new wood is 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

**TUSCARAWAS COUNTY COIN CLUB**

The Tuscarawas County Coin Club issued a wooden nickel for their 49<sup>th</sup> annual coin show held Oct. 11/12, 2008. Price of the new wood is 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to James L. Baker, PO Box 301, Gnadenhutten, OH 44629.

**HERSHEY CC**

2008, 2007 and 2006 Hershey Coin Club wooden nickels. **3 for \$1 plus a stamp.** Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

**CHARLESTON COIN CLUB**

West Virginia's Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for its Nov 1-2 show in the Civic Center. Show information appears on one side and a Buffalo' appears on the other. Price of the new wood is 50 cents each plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Orders should be submitted to Don Clifford, c/o Charleston Coin Club, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some back issues remain. A list is available upon request.

**TRADE**

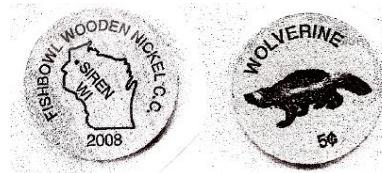
I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

**WOODEN POKER CHIPS**

P;a-M-Well, blue, red and white, set of 3 wooden poker chips, \$3.00 postpaid. Order and questions to: Al Zaika, 201 Bergen Ave., Bellmawr, NJ 08031.

**FISHBOWL WOODEN NICKEL CC**

The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club held their annual coin show on Saturday, August 2, 2008, at the Siren Senior Center in Siren, Wisconsin. The new 2008 wood features a wolverine. It is available for \$0.25 plus a SASE. Send your request to: Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club, c/o/ Gary Schauls, 2702 150<sup>th</sup> Street, Luck, WI 54853-3811.

**HIAWATHA CC**

The Hiawatha, Iowa Coin Club has designed a wooden nickel for the Hiawatha Lions Club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, The wood's theme is the club's annual Hog Wild Days, scheduled for June 19-22, 2008. The Lions use all money from the event to support community projects and sight programs year around. Wooden nickels may be obtained by donating to the Hiawatha Lions club and a SASE. Orders may be sent to Hiawatha Coin Club, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081.

**BIRTHDAY WOOD**

Bob Brown celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 26, 2009 by issuing a wooden nickel. He sent most to his friends but may have a few left on a first-come, first-served basis. If you want one, please send a SASE to Bob Brown, PO Box 1245, Highspire, PA 17034-0124.

**I MADE ROOM**

I thank everyone who requested used plastic display pages and binders. I shipped over 3,000 pages and 90 binders in the past month. I'm currently out. I'm almost ready to fill want lists - officials, semi-officials, commons, coin clubs. Let me know what you need. 225,000 woods in stock. Darrell Luedtke

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING MARCH 31, 2009**

Note: Final figures are in for the January mail bid. Total = \$111.60. 10% to IOWMC = \$11.16. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage****All are Colorado**

1. Boulder/1959/Centennial – Complete set of 3
2. Boulder(Longmont)/1998/County Fair/\$1.00/Purple
3. Buena Vista/1979/Centennial/5¢/Black
4. Calhan/1979/Colorado Centennial/NV/Green
5. Colorado Springs/1958/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/#'s
6. Colorado Springs/1962/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/#'s
7. Colorado Springs/1963/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Green/#'s
8. Colorado Springs/1964/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/#'s
9. Colorado Springs/1965/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/#'s
10. Colorado Springs/1966/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Blue/#'s
11. Colorado Springs/1967/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Brown/Year left
12. Colorado Springs/1967/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Brown/Year right
13. Colorado Springs/1968/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Black/#'s
14. Colorado Springs/1969/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Purple/#'s
15. Colorado Springs/1969/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Purple/No #'s
16. Colorado Springs/1970/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Green/#'s
17. Colorado Springs/1970/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Green/No #'s
18. Colorado Springs/1971/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/#'s
19. Colorado Springs/1971/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Red/No #'s
20. Colorado Springs/1971/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Purple/No #'s
21. Colorado Springs/1972/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Purple/#'s
22. Colorado Springs/ND(1972)/Centennial/50¢ - Set of 4
23. Colorado Springs/ND(1972)/Centennial/50¢/Black
24. Colorado Springs/ND(1972)/Centennial/50¢/Red
25. Colorado Springs/1973/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.00/Green/#'s
26. Colorado Springs/1974/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.50/Black/#'s
27. Colorado Springs/1975/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.50/Orange/#'s
28. Colorado Springs/1976/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.50/Blue/#'s
29. Colorado Springs/1977/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$1.50/Green/#'s
30. Colorado Springs/1978/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Red/#'s
31. Colorado Springs/1979/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Black/#'s
32. Colorado Springs/1979/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Black/No #'s
33. Colorado Springs/1980/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Blue/#'s
34. Colorado Springs/1981/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Red/Aug 4-8/#'s

35. Colorado Springs/1981/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Red/Aug 4-9/#'s
36. Colorado Springs/1982/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Green/#'s
37. Colorado Springs/1983/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Black/#'s
38. Colorado Springs/1984/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Green/#'s
39. Colorado Springs/1984/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$2.00/Green/No #'s
40. Colorado Springs/1985/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Brown/#'s
41. Colorado Springs/1986/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Red/#'s
42. Colorado Springs/1987/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Purple/#'s
43. Colorado Springs/1987/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Purple/No #'s
44. Colorado Springs/1988/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Green
45. Colorado Springs/1989/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Black
46. Colorado Springs/1990/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Red
47. Colorado Springs/1991/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Blue
48. Colorado Springs/1992/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Brown
49. Colorado Springs/1993/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Green
50. Colorado Springs/1994/Rough Riders Breakfast/\$3.00/Red
51. Craig-Moffat/1958/Golden Anniversary/5¢/Green
52. Cripple Creek/1981/50<sup>th</sup> Year - Donkey Derby Days/5¢/Black
53. East Tincup/ND/Centennial5¢/Black
54. Fort Morgan/1964/Overland Trail Centennial/5¢/Black
55. Grand Junction/1957/Diamond Jubilee – Set of 3
56. Grand Junction/1957/Diamond Jubilee/10¢/Red
57. Grand Junction/1957/Diamond Jubilee/25¢/Blue
58. Grand Lake/1976/Colorado Centennial + USA Bicentennial/5¢/Black
59. Lake City/1976/Colorado Centennial + USA Bicentennial/5¢/Black
60. Lake City/ND(1994)/4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration/5¢/Black
61. Las Animas/1973/Centennial – Set of 2
62. Pikes Peak/1976/Colorado Centennial – Set of 2
63. Pikes Peak/1976/Colorado Centennial/5¢/Black
64. Rocky Ford/1977/Arkansas Valley Fair 100/5¢/Black
65. Silverton/1974/Centennial/5¢/Black
66. Springfield/1987/Centennial/25¢/Black
67. Tri-County/1989/Centennial/5¢/Brown
68. Victor/1993/Centennial/5¢/Black/Buffalo
69. West Colorado Springs/1972/Centennial/5¢/Black

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on March 31, 2009.

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- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS



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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

Larry Gentile Sr. from New Rochelle, NY had passed away on March 10, 2009 at the age of 71. Larry was active in the ANA as YN Coordinator for many years. He probably spent a lot of his own money traveling to coin shows and buying numismatic items to give away. Besides this, dealers, collectors and coin clubs donated numismatic items for his programs.

Larry traveled to many ANA and other Coin Club Conventions over many years. Larry was involved with coin clubs and wooden money clubs. Although not a member of IOWMC, he was a member of DWMC and he specialized in collecting wooden nickels from New York. He served as President of the White Plains Coin Club and Board Member of some of the clubs mentioned above. He also was an avid exhibitor and won 150 awards. He participated in hundreds of coin club meetings and in their youth activities. For his tireless and dedicated work in the area of YN's, Larry received many awards from the ANA over the years.

Larry Gentile Sr. was one of the most admired and loved numismatists that we have ever known. He will live forever in our prayers and thoughts. Our deepest sympathies to his two daughters and son along with their families and other relatives. We will never forget Larry and will miss greatly his always cheerful greeting and smiling face when our paths crossed. Rest in peace Larry.

On another note, we need nominations for officers: President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Board of Governors I. Minimal work is involved.

Darrell Luedtke, President  
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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

## EDITOR'S REPORT

I apologize for the delay in the publication of the April issue of Bunyan's Chips. As vice president of the South Shore Coin Club I was very active in planning and executing the 3 day coin show in early April, not to mention preparing an exhibit for the show. In between I have been saddled with the responsibility of getting in touch with each of my high school graduates to let them know that we are having a reunion this July. I hope to get us back to normal next month.

Thanks to all the members who have paid their dues since the last mailing. I received several telephone calls from members who wanted to know what the dues were and where to send them. Thanks to the suggestions of several members, we will list this information in every issue of Bunyan's Chips in the future. In addition, based on a suggestion, we have added your "paid through" date on the mailing label. If you have any more suggestions to improve the club or the newsletter, please let us know.

Please note that effective immediately all mail bids will be due on the last day of the month. No 10 day grace period will be allowed. Most bidders comply. I will take into consideration late mailings of Bunyan's Chips, such as this month.

The recent South Shore Coin Club's 3 day show was a rousing success. We had a record number of dealers and everyone stated that they were happy. Quality coins and currency, foreign coins and currency, and "junk boxes" were favorites. I know I was happy. I picked up 21 wooden nickels that I needed for my collection and I think I handed out several IOWMC membership applications. I also purchased an 1855 pattern Flying Eagle cent in PF 64 condition at about half cost and, while examining it, I found out that it had a die clash that the dealer wasn't aware of. A total of 8 of the 1855 pattern cents have been catalogued. Although I won't know the results of the judging of exhibits until the coin club's banquet at the end of the month, one of the judges stated that my exhibit was one of the best he had ever had the privilege of judging. Also, at the banquet I will be putting on a 1 hour presentation on wooden money.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

No membership changes this month. Please remember that dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

For your information, we currently have 136 Members. Of these, 8 are honorary members, 26 are life members and we have 1 junior member. This is an excellent hobby that costs very little to get started. Would be great if we could see more junior members.

If you haven't paid your dues, you will not be receiving any more publications, so please get your dues in ASAP to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon, NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – April, 2009

Checking Account	
Previous Balance	\$2639.08
Income: Dues	359.00
Interest	0.53
Total income	\$ 359.03
Expenses	
Editor Advance	\$ 581.62
ANA 5 Years Dues	165.00
Total expenses	746.62
Balance Forward	\$2251.99

Regular Savings	
Balance	\$ 2611.66
Interest	1.88
Balance Forward	\$ 2613.54

Life Membership	
Balance	\$ 2581.24
Interest	1.86
Balance Forward	\$ 2583.10

## NOMINATION OF OFFICERS / ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The By-Laws state that nominations for officers are to be made every 2 years and that no officers may run for 2 consecutive terms. Current officers have been in their positions for 2 years so we need nominations for President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Board of Governors I. The election will take place in August. Minimal work is normally required for each of these positions.

### THE DEKALB, ILLINOIS WOODEN NICKELS

Reprinted from Bunyan's Chips, March 1980

Originally submitted by: Dick Bales

DeKalb, Illinois, is a city of many facets. These each shall be discussed in turn.

DeKalb's first "claim to fame" is barbed wire. As early as the 1850's, DeKalb citizens like Col. Isaac Ellwood and Joseph F. Glidden helped to settle the west by their inventions of different types of barbed wire. Once called the "Barb City", DeKalb's athletic teams are still called the "Barbs".

The city's major industry is manufacturing. Many products come into households everywhere bearing the trademark "Made in DeKalb."

Agriculture is also an important area. DeKalb County is the 29<sup>th</sup> richest agricultural county in the U.S., and the city of DeKalb is the home of the world's largest hybrid seed company - DEKALB AgResearch, Inc. Its symbol, the "winged ear," can be seen in corn fields across the nation.

Finally, DeKalb is the home of Northern Illinois University, a state university of over 20,000 students.

All of these characteristics are incorporated into the design of the DeKalb wooden nickel. The hourglass, with the log cabin at the top, and a modern factory at the bottom, symbolize the transition from a village to an industrial city. To the left are DeKalb's famous corn fields. To the right is Altgeld Hall, one of the landmarks of the NIU campus. It is named after John Peter Altgeld, former governor of Illinois, who earned his place in history in part through his handling of the Pullman Strike in 1894. Finally, the perimeter of the wooden nickels are ringed by grain stalks and barbed wire.

**UPDATED INFORMATION BY THE EDITOR:** There were 6 official and 6 semi-official wooden nickels issued for DeKalb's centennial in 1956. The officials were issued by the Chamber of Commerce and the semi-officials were issued by Ed's Tavern. They are as follows.

#### Officials:

Harper Buffalo, Black  
Harper Indian, Green  
Harper Indian, Red  
Small Indian, Black  
Buffalo W/ Stars, Black  
Man, Black

#### Semi-Officials:

Harper Indian, Black  
Large Indian, Black  
Small Indian, Black  
Buffalo, Black  
Small Indian, Red  
Buffalo, Red



## LAKE CHARGOGGAGOGGMANCHAUGGAGOGGCHAUBUNAGUNGAMAUGG

By Darrell Luedtke

Once upon a time I ran across a wooden nickel that was issued in 1984 on the occasion of "MAGGIE'S FISH WORLD, Our 15<sup>th</sup> Year, 1969-1984, Webster, Mass." and I set it aside because I couldn't believe the name of the city on the reverse. The place of issuance was Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg, Massachusetts.

I ran across the wood again recently and decided to research it. Wikipedia, which is a good source of information, describes the lake in detail. It is a 1,442 acre lake located in Massachusetts near the border with Connecticut. It is located near the town of Webster and is sometimes referred to as Webster Lake.

Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggchaubunagungamaugg, the full-length version of the name, is the longest place name in the United States and 6th longest in the world. An even longer, 49-letter version of the name, "Chargoggagoggmanchauggauggagogg-chaubunagungamaugg" has been cited. Its 17 uses of "g" are the most instances of any letter in a word. The name also contains 10 instances of the letter "a" (not including the "a" in "lake"), more than any word in the English language. This longest name means approximately "Englishmen at Manchaug at the fishing place at the boundary" and was applied in the 19<sup>th</sup> century when white people built factories in the area. "Manchaug" is derived from the "Monuhchogoks", a group of Nipmuck Indians that lived by the lakeshore. The lake was an important fishing spot on the borders of several tribal territories and lay at the nexus of many local paths of the Great Trail system. For these reasons the lake was often used as a meeting place.

Algonquian-speaking peoples had several different names for the lake as recorded on old maps and historical records. However, all of these were similar in part and had almost the same translation. Among other early names were "Chabanaguncamogue" and "Chaubanagogum".

A map of 1795, showing the town of Dudley, indicated the name as "Chargoggaggoggmanchoggagogg". A survey of the lake done in 1830 lists the name as Chaubunagungamaugg, the older name.

Spelling of the long name varies, even on official signs near the lake. Webster schools use the long form of the name in various capacities.

Today, "Webster Lake" may be the name most used, but some (including many residents of Webster), take pride in reeling off the longer versions.

And that, my fellow lignadenerists, is the story behind this wooden nickel. Now try to say it fast 3 times.



## KING OF WOODEN MONEY

By: Darrell Luedtke

Many of you have heard about the "King of Wooden Money". Here is the story.

In August, 1974 the IOWMC held its 11<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in Columbus, Ohio and the meeting was hailed as the "World's First All Wooden Money Convention" and took place over 3 days. At that convention a quorum of officers was present and a business meeting took place, officers were elected and many collectors had exhibits of wooden money. It was reported that over 1,000,000 pieces of wooden money were exhibited. Members judged the exhibits and, based on their exhibits, Clarence Kramer was chosen as the King of Wooden Money, Rusty Bailey was chosen Queen, and Tex Ryder was chosen Prince.

**LINDSBORG, KANSAS AND MIDSOMMARDAG**  
**By Darrell Luedtke**

While the future state of Kansas was still a part of the Kansas-Nebraska Territory, a few Swedes already had arrived in Kansas. The First Swedish Agricultural Company of Chicago purchased 13,160 acres of railroad land for a Swedish immigrant group.

Nestled in the Smoky Valley region of north central Kansas, the community of Lindsborg was settled in 1869 by nearly one hundred Swedish immigrant pioneers from the Värmland province of Sweden.

To understand the history of the Smoky Valley it is essential to know that the Lindsborg founders and these first settlers were people seeking religious freedom. They sought to practice their Lutheran religion as they thought pleased their Lord. These practices had often been discouraged or forbidden by bishops and officials of the Lutheran State Church of Sweden. These immigrants were läsare, pietistic Bible readers, and they left Sweden's Värmland province under the leadership of Lindsborg's founding spiritual leader, Pastor Olof Olsson, a 28 year old Lutheran pastor, musician, thinker, builder and dreamer of dreams. The emigrants came to their new land wishing to establish their idea of a pure Lutheran Church. With much anticipation, the first Lindsborg Swedes came to America, framtidsländet, their land of the future.

There were disappointments, adversities, and hardships, but optimism reigned and the land became settled. Lindsborg, in spite of not being the first established Swedish-American community of the region, became, during the early stages of immigration, the center of Swedish life and culture in Kansas. Church development was absolutely pivotal and at the heart of the formation and immigration of the first large numbers coming into the Smoky Valley and surrounding communities. For Lindsborg, some observers might even argue that the community began as a theocracy and a church community. A controversy arose over a point of doctrine, the atonement controversy, which later resulted in a church break-away occurrence, notably the establishment of Rose Hill Mission Friends (Covenant) Church in 1874.

The City of Lindsborg was incorporated in 1879 and is currently a city that has a population of 3,321.

"Midsommardag" is the favorite holiday of Swedes in Sweden and it celebrates the return of summer. The local "Midsummer's Day" Festival is patterned after the Swedish holiday and it is always held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in June every year. It opens with a procession of the Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers and the Swedish Folkdanslag and includes an art fair, crafts, folk music, folk dancing, and smörgåsbord.

Wooden nickels were issued by the City of Lindsborg from 1985 through 2001.



**STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT**  
**By: Darrell Luedtke**

Stamford was known as Rippowam by the Native American inhabitants to the region, and the very first European settlers to the area also referred to it as such. The name was later changed to Stamford after a town in Lincolnshire, England. The deed to Stamford was signed on 1 July 1640 between Captain Turner of the New Haven Colony and Chief Ponos. A bitter quarrel, cause unknown, within the Church of Christ in Wethersfield, precipitated the founding of Stamford. On October 19, 1640 the dissenters organized the Wethersfield Company and resolved to move, as a body, west along the Long Island shore to the banks of the Rippowam River. New Haven was eager to sell it to fellow Puritans. Settled in 1641 in the southwest corner of Connecticut, 28 would-be planters and their wives and families and at least two Negro servants began building a meeting-house and their own homes on high ground above the harbor.

All the settlers had previously participated in the establishment of the basic religious and political institutions that made a Puritan community. The Congregational Church, as The Church of Christ was popularly known, was easily transplanted. Other denominations were barred.

In 1692, Stamford was home to a less famous witch trial than the well-known Salem witch trial, which also occurred in 1692. The accusations were less fanatical and smaller-scale but also grew to prominence through gossip and hysterics.

For the first two centuries the economy was based on agriculture. Farmers grew potatoes, wheat, rye, corn, and oats and engaged in stock-breeding, fishing, and oystering.

The impact of the Revolutionary War was doubled-edged. On the one hand there were problems with over 100 Loyalists, mainly Anglicans, and with skinners and pirates. The skinners, from Westchester County, stole food, firewood, and whatever was portable for sale to the British.

In the late 1840s two events presaged the entry of Stamford into the emerging industrial economy of the United States. One was the arrival of hundreds of impoverished Irish refugees fleeing the potato famines of 1845-1848. Their presence brought willing hands and increased the town population from 3500 in 1840 to 7200 in 1860, an increase of 100% in two decades. Stamford was utterly unprepared for this non-Yankee, non-Protestant influx. The newcomers confronted a severe lack of housing, jobs and schools and aroused a violent wave of anti-Catholicism. Branded drunkards and street brawlers, they were blamed for higher crime and delinquency rates and for the spread of dreaded diseases.

As economic opportunities multiplied, so did the population. Stamford reached 15,700 in 1890 and 19,000 in 1900. Today Stamford has a population of 118,475, making it the fourth largest city in the state.

In 1941 Stamford celebrated the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding by issuing a set of 6 official flat wooden nickels. These were not listed in the 1995 issue of the Guide Book of Wooden Money. They are as follows.



Webb Tavern	5¢	Black
Center, 1641	5¢	Blue
From Ponos	5¢	Green
Residence	5¢	Red
Grist Mill	5¢	Brown
Center, 1941	5¢	Purple

### COIN CLUB OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD

The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, Massachusetts has issued a wooden nickel to commemorate its March 29, 2009 coin show. Please send 50 cents each plus LASA or bubble mailer with postage. Send requests to: C.C. GRTR. N.B., PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741. (Don't forget to ask about past issues to complete your set.)



### SMYRNA, NY BICENTENNIAL

Ken Paulsen reports that Smyrna, New York has issued a set of 4 wooden nickels to celebrate their bicentennial in 2008. They ask \$3.00 per set plus \$1.00 for postage and handling. Send requests to Mrs. Janice M. Bassett, Bicentennial Committee Co-Chair, 877 County Road 20, Smyrna, NY 13464-1931.

### FREMONT COIN CLUB

The Fremont, Nebraska Coin Club has issued 2 wooden nickels, one in green and one in red, to commemorate their 50<sup>th</sup> annual coin show on May 30-31, 2009. The woods are available for 50 cents each plus a SASE. Send orders to Fremont Coin Club Inc., c/o William H. Passick, 1253 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Fremont, NE 68025-3268.

### SOUTH SHORE COIN CLUB

The South Shore Coin Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin has issued a wooden nickel for its annual coin show on April 2-4, 2009. Price of the new wood is 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. (Don't forget to ask about past issues to complete your set.)

### TUSCARAWAS COUNTY COIN CLUB

The Tuscarawas County Coin Club issued a wooden nickel for their 49<sup>th</sup> annual coin show held Oct. 11/12, 2008. Price of the new wood is 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to James L. Baker, PO Box 301, Gnadenhutten, OH 44629.

### HERSHEY CC

2008, 2007 and 2006 Hershey Coin Club wooden nickels. **3 for \$1 plus a stamp.** Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

### CHARLESTON COIN CLUB

West Virginia's Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for its Nov 1-2 show in the Civic Center. Show information appears on one side and a Buffalo' appears on the other. Price of the new wood is 50 cents each plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Orders should be submitted to Don Clifford, c/o Charleston Coin Club, P.O. Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some back issues remain. A list is available upon request.



### TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

### HIAWATHA CC

The Hiawatha, Iowa Coin Club has designed a wooden nickel for the Hiawatha Lions Club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The wood's theme is the club's annual Hog Wild Days, scheduled for June 19-22, 2008. The Lions use all money from the event to support community projects and sight programs year around. Wooden nickels may be obtained by donating to the Hiawatha Lions club and a SASE. Orders may be sent to Hiawatha Coin Club, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081.



### WOODS FOR SALE

I'll fill your want lists – officials, semi-officials, commons, coin clubs. Let me know what you need. 225,000 woods in stock. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING APRIL 30, 2009**

Note: Final figures are in for the February mail bid. Total = \$139.01. 10% to IOWMC = \$13.90. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage****CONNECTICUT**

1. Beacon Falls/1971/Centennial/Buffalo/5¢/Blue-Black
2. Canton/1956/Sesquicentennial/Buffalo with Stars/5¢/Black
3. Canton/1956/Sesquicentennial/Wooden Quarter/25¢/Black
4. Cheshire/1960/Cheshire Fair/5¢/Red
5. Coventry/1962/Quarter-Millennium/5¢/Black
6. East Haddam/1962/Centennial/5¢/Green
7. East Hampton/1976/Bicentennial/5¢/Black
8. East Hartford/1979/C of C Product Show/5¢/Black
9. East Haven/1960/175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Set of 3
10. East Haven/1960/175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/5¢/Blue
11. East Haven/1960/175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/5¢/Red
12. Ellington/1976/USA Bicentennial/5¢/Black
13. Elmwood Underpass/1959/125 Years of Progress/5¢/Black
14. Hartford/1992/Hooke Day Parade/5¢/Black
15. Meriden/1956/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Red
16. Milford/ND/Fall Festival/5¢/Black/Small Indian
17. New Britain/1971/Centennial/5¢/Black
18. Newington/1971/Centennial/5¢/Blue
19. New Milford/1957/Semi-Quincentennial – Set of 3
20. New Milford/1957/Semi-Quincentennial/1<sup>st</sup> Nat'l Bank/5¢/Black
21. New Milford/1957/Semi-Quincentennial/ Savings Bank/5¢/Black
22. North Haven/1970/Tercentenary/5¢/Black
23. Orange/1972/Sesquicentennial – Set of 5
24. Orange/1972/Sesquicentennial/NV/Black
25. Plainville/1969/Centennial/5¢/Black
26. Plymouth/1970/175<sup>th</sup>/5¢/Black
27. Rockville/ND(1973)/Merchants/NV/Black
28. Southbury/1973/Tercentennial/NV/Blue
29. Southbury/1973/Tercentennial/5¢/Green
30. Southbury/1973/Tercentennial/NV/Red
31. Southbury/1973/Tercentennial/5¢/Brown
32. Southbury/1973/Tercentennial/NV/Purple
33. Southington/1979/Bicentennial/5¢/Black
34. Stafford/1969/250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/5¢/Black
35. Thomaston/1975/Centennial/5¢/Red
36. Tolland/1965/Quarter Millennium/NV/Black
37. Vernon/1958/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Black
38. Voluntown/1971/250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Set of 4 without USA
39. Wallingford/1970/Tercentenary – Set of 6

40. Waterbury/1967/Grange Centennial/Small Indian/5¢/Blue
41. Waterbury/1967/Grange Centennial/Buffalo/5¢/Green

42. Watertown/1980/Bicentennial/5¢/Black
43. Winsted/1958/Frontier Days/25¢/Black
44. Woodstock/1986/Tercentenary/NV/Black

**DELAWARE**

45. Kent County/1983/Tricentennial - Set of 2
46. Middletown/1961/Centennial/Diamond/5¢/Green
47. Newport/1976/USA Bicentennial/Small Indian/NV/Black
48. New Sweden/1988/350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Permanent Settlement/NV/Blue

**FLORIDA**

49. Avon Park/1964/Jubilee – Set of 3
50. Floral City/ND(1994)/Annual Folk Day/Buffalo/5¢/Black
51. Hollywood/ND(1967)/Hollywood/Cash Value/5¢/Black
52. Hudson/1978/Centennial Pioneer Day/Mullet Fisherman/5¢/Black
53. Interlachen/1988/Centennial/Tourist Club/5¢/Black
54. Orlando (City not on wood)/ND/Central Florida Fair/25¢/Green
55. Pompano Beach/1958/Barefoot Mailman – Set of 3
56. Pompano Beach/1958/Barefoot Mailman/5¢/Black
57. Pompano Beach/1983/Diamond Jubilee/Small Indian/5¢/Blue
58. Redington Shores/1987/US Constitution Bicentennial/NV/Blue-Red
59. St. Petersburg Beach/ND/5<sup>th</sup> Annual Sun Tan Festival/NV/Green
60. San Antonio/ND(1977)/Rattlesnake Festival/NV/Blue-Red
61. San Antonio/1978/12<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Blue
62. San Antonio/1979/13<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Brown
63. San Antonio/1980/14<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Blue-Brown
64. San Antonio/1981/15<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Red
65. San Antonio/1982/16<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black-Blue
66. San Antonio/1983/17<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
67. San Antonio/1984/18<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Brown
68. San Antonio/1985/19<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Red
69. San Antonio/1986/20<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
70. San Antonio/1987/21<sup>st</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Blue
71. San Antonio/1988/22<sup>nd</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
72. San Antonio/1989/23<sup>rd</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Blue-Red
73. San Antonio/1992/26<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
74. San Antonio/1994/28<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
75. San Antonio/1995/29<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
76. San Antonio/1996/30<sup>th</sup> Rattlesnake Festival/5¢/Black
77. Wildwood/1977/Centennial/5¢/Black

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- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

I have very limited information at this time but Del Cushing advised me that Allen Nystrom passed away on April 30<sup>th</sup>. He had just turned 100 earlier this year on January 17<sup>th</sup>. There is to be a memorial on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the residence where he lived at 3:00PM. If someone wants to send a card the address is: Marilyn Nielsen, 8426 Maplewood Lane, Edmonds, WA 98026.

It looks like spring has finally sprung here in the upper Midwest. Temperatures are varying between the mid-60's and mid-80's with a goodly amount of rain 2 days every week. Trees have their leaves and the narcissus, daffodils, tulips, and forsythias are all blooming. This is what we have been waiting all winter for.

With the advent of spring comes a flurry of coin shows and the Milwaukee area has had its own. The South Shore Coin Club had their annual 3 day show on April 2-4 and I exhibited at the show. On April 25<sup>th</sup> we had our banquet at which I learned that I had won "Best of Show" for my exhibit. I also won a door prize. The highlight of the evening was a 1 hour presentation that I gave on wooden money. I talked about the origins of wooden money, the many countries that have issued wooden money, and the many sizes, types, styles, and colors. Each of the 32 in attendance received a bag full of wooden money including official flats, official rounds, business, personal, holiday, and "no tip" woods. Specially marked woods in some bags entitled the owner to another "special" woods that included "birth control", "special diet", and other such topics. Everyone had a great time and many expressed thanks for opening their eyes to a much larger picture of wooden nickels than they had previously known about.

We still need nominations for officers: President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Board of Governors I. Minimal work is involved.

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## EDITOR'S REPORT

In case you don't already know, the price of postage is going up from 42¢ to 44¢ on May 11<sup>th</sup>. I have purchased some "forever" stamps in advance that we can use over the next several mailings and should save the club some money.

We have lost quite a few members this year for some reason. Over the past several years we have generally picked up 7 new members each year and lost 2 or 3. I don't know if it is the bad economy or what, but we lost 22 members and our membership total now stands at 141. I understand that other wooden money and coin clubs are having the same problem. The members who did not renew their membership include: Herman Aqua, Richard Basso, John Bowers, Don Clute, Velma Dietrich, Adam Fritzal, James Glover, Karl Herzog, Brian Jessop, Robert Jorgensen, Steven Kawalec, Paul Leistritz, Joe May, Mark McDaniels, Don Nash, Jeff Ray, George Schweinfurth, Dennis Skea, Charles Swain, Anthony Tumonis, Glenn Willis and Floyd Zeigler. Many of these joined 3 or 4 years ago, but a few have been long-time members. If anyone knows one of these ex-members personally, please contact them and ask them to re-join.

As I noted in last month's issue, mail bids are due by the last day of the month. It was too hard to put together an issue of Bunyan's Chips and then, 10 or 12 days later, sit down for another day and determine the high bidders in the mail bid, write letters, package the lots and get them shipped. Besides, although I'm semi-retired, I have more work in the middle of the month. Hopefully now I will be able to do it all at one time.

Does anyone have any ideas for articles for Bunyan's Chips? How about woods from your home town, adopted town, a place you've been to, a place you'd like to go to, or even a place you'd like to forget. I'd welcome any suggestions.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### NEW MEMBERS

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209 Deming Way Ext  
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Collecting Interests: Anything Lighthouses  
Sponsor: Darrell Luedtke

Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – May, 2009

Checking Account	
Previous Balance	\$2251.99
Income: Dues	22.50
Donation	10.00
Mail Bids	25.06
Interest	0.47
Total income	\$2310.02
Expenses	
Editor Advance	\$ 423.97
Total Expenses	423.97
Balance Forward	\$1886.05
Regular Savings	
Previous Balance	\$ 2615.04
Interest	1.34
Balance Forward	\$ 2616.38
Life Membership	
Previous Balance	\$ 2584.59
Interest	1.33
Balance Forward	\$ 2585.92

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## THE BAREFOOT MAILMAN

By: Darrell Luedtke

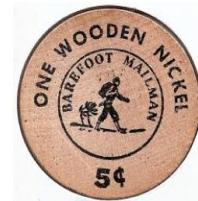
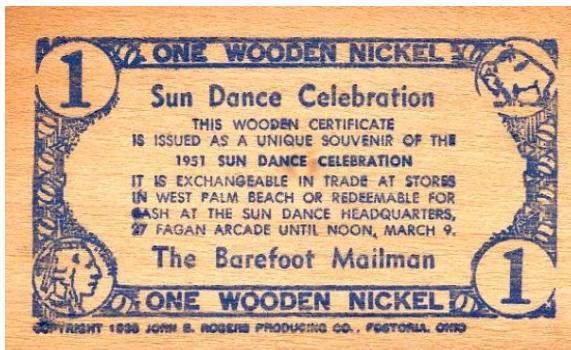
I got to thinking about the set of 6 wooden nickel flats issued in 1951 by West Palm Beach and the set of 3 wooden nickel rounds issued in 1958 in Pompano Beach. Both of them declare "Barefoot Mailman" on them. What is a "barefoot mailman"?

The term barefoot mailman refers to the carriers on the first U.S. Mail route established in 1885 between Palm Beach, and the settlements around the body of water known as Lake Worth on the north, and Miami to the south. As there was no road at the time connecting Palm Beach and Miami to each other (or to anywhere else, for that matter), the carrier traveled by boat, and by walking along the beach. The mail carriers walked the beach barefooted to take advantage of the firmer sand along the water's edge. Prior to the contract carriers mail between the northern settlements around Lake Worth and the southern settlements on Biscayne Bay the mail travelled by rail north and then over to Cedar Key on the west coast of Florida. A ship would take it to Key West, the largest city in Florida at the time to be transferred to a vessel heading north along the east coast. At the mouth of Biscayne Bay the packages would be transferred to a smaller shallow draft vessel that could navigate Biscayne Bay back to the Miami River.

A round trip of 136 miles from Palm Beach to Miami and back took six days. The carrier would leave Palm Beach on Monday morning, travelling by boat to the southern end of the Lake Worth Lagoon. He would then cross over to the beach and walk down to the Orange Grove House of Refuge in what is now Delray Beach, where he would spend the night. The next day (Tuesday) he would continue walking down the beach to the Fort Lauderdale House of Refuge, where he would spend that night. On Wednesday the carrier travelled by boat down the New River to its inlet, and then would walk down the beach to Baker's Haulover at the north end of Biscayne Bay. Finally, he would travel down Biscayne Bay by boat to Miami. On Thursday he would start the return trip, arriving in Palm Beach on Saturday.

The carriers sometimes took "passengers" with them, guiding any travellers who were willing to walk the beach with the carriers. After several travelers stiffed the mail carriers an advance fee was charged before the journey began. At least ten different men worked at one time or another on the "barefoot route". One, James Edward Hamilton, died on the route, although his body was never recovered. He was presumed to have drowned or been taken by an alligator or crocodile, while trying to swim across an inlet to retrieve his boat from the far side. Another, Henry Burkehart used to walk the route naked and believed that the sun was good for him. He was so tan that the local Seminoles thought he was an Indian who had gone "white". The "barefoot route" was used until 1893, when a rock road was constructed between Lantana and Lemon City.

There. Now you know about the "Barefoot Mailman".



## FORT FREDERICA, GEORGIA

By: Darrell Luedtke

Fort Frederica was established on Saint Simon's Island, Georgia by James Oglethorpe in 1736 as the southernmost post of the British colonies in North America. It protected the rest of Georgia and South Carolina from Spanish raiders in Florida. In 1736, 44 men and 72 women and children arrived to build the fort and the town of Frederica, and by the 1740's Frederica was a thriving village of about 500 citizens. On July 7, 1742 Spanish troops landed on the south end of St. Simons Island in a marshy area. It is said that the Battle of Bloody Marsh caused the marsh to run red with Spanish blood and the battle was a decisive British victory which ended forever the threat of Spanish invasion into this colony. Today you can visit the site of Fort Frederica, a national park, and see the ruins of the fortifications, barracks and homes.

In 1936 Fort Frederica celebrated the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding by issuing a set of 4 wooden nickel flats in 5¢, 10¢, 15¢ and 25¢ denominations. (These are listed in the 1995 Guide Book under "Brunswick" and "St. Simon's Island".) These were the first official issues from Georgia and are extremely difficult to obtain.



(Reduced from original 2½" x 5⅛" size)

## Hadersfeld, Austria Wooden Money

By Darrell Luedtke

In 1920 the city of Hadersfeld, Austria issued wooden money worth 10, 20 and 50 Heller on pieces of thin plywood. The 10 Heller pieces feature two rabbits, the 20 Heller feature a deer and the 50 Heller feature an elk. In order to collect a complete set of this wooden money, you will need to collect the 3 denominations for each of 5 different series. The following comes from a contact in Frankfurt, Germany.

Series 1 has "Hadersfeld" printed in red and the reverse is printed black.

Series 2 is the same as series one, but the reverse is over-stamped with the words "Nür für Sammler. Wird nicht eingelöst", meaning "Only for collectors. Will not be redeemed." Most of these are then stamped in red with a two line inscription reading "Als Zahlungsmittel in der Gemeinde gültig" meaning "Good As Currency in the town" and are also stamped in red with the town seal.

Series 3 has "Hadersfeld" printed in red and the reverse is printed green.

Series 4 has "Hadersfeld" printed in green, the denomination printed in red and the reverse is printed black.

Series 5 has "Hadersfeld" printed in red, the denomination printed in green and the reverse is printed black.



Obverses for all series.



The reverse of series 1, 3, 4 and 5.



The reverse of series 2.

## A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By: Bob Brown

Last year Floyd Thomas sent me copies of his Dairy Queen woods to check out. In doing so I discovered there were several that were not listed in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". Shown below are woods from Fairbanks, AK and Loveland, CO that are red in color and both have a #3 reverse. The next token is fro Russell, KA and is black in color. Both sides are shown here and that raises some question in my mind as whether or not this token is muled with another. Next is a token from Ellisville which Floyd lists as being from Mississippi. It is red with a #5 reverse. Then there is a Maryville, TN token which is black in color with a "brazier" reverse. The last token is from Sauk City, WI, red in color with a #1 reverse.

If anyone has any further information on these tokens or any others please contact me at PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034 or you can call me at (717) 944-9586.

Thanks to all who have sent in information in the past. Anyone who sends in information will be given credit in one of my Dairy Queen updates. If anyone has any Dairy Queen tokens for sale or trade please contact me. I am always looking for Dairy Queens that I do not have in my collection. Thank you.



## A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By: Bob Brown

The following is another Dairy Queen wood from Rich Boyles that is not listed in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". This token is black in color instead of the traditional red and according to Rich is from Russell, KS.

If anyone has any additional information on this token or any other Dairy Queen wooden tokens please drop me a line at PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034 or call me at (717) 944-9586. Anyone sending in copies, or the token if you can spare them, or any additional information on Dairy Queens will receive credit for doing so in this Dairy Queen Update.

Thanks to all who have contributed in the past.



**KANAWHA VALLEY COIN CLUB**

The Kanawha Valley Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel to mark its 38<sup>th</sup> annual show. The ink is in dark blue. The woods are priced at 50¢ each plus a SASE. Orders should be submitted to KVCC, PO Box 775, Hurricane, WV 25526. Earlier issues are available.

**OLD CAPITOL COIN CLUB**

The Old Capitol Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel to mark its 13<sup>th</sup> annual coin show. They are printed in black ink. Woods are available from Steve Schooley at 124 Marietta Ave, Iowa City, IA 52246. No price was listed. He can be contacted at kschooley@netzero.net or by calling (319) 337-3638.

**SOUTH SHORE COIN CLUB**

The South Shore Coin Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin has issued a wooden nickel commemorating its 45<sup>th</sup> annual coin show. They are printed in red ink. They are available for 25¢ plus a SASE from Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. Back issues of almost every year back to 1964 are also available for 25¢ each or 5 for \$1 plus a SASE.

**INDIANA COIN CLUB**

The Indiana Coin Club of Indiana, PA has issued a wooden nickel to commemorate its "golden" 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2008. To obtain a free wooden nickel, send a SASE to Indiana Coin Club Inc., PO Box 1441, Indiana, PA 15701.

**SOUTH HILLS COIN CLUB**

This year marks the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Wooden nickels from the February coin show are still available for \$1.00 plus a SASE for every 3 that you would like. Send requests to South Hills Coin Club, PO Box 161, Bethel Park, PA 15102.

**GREAT RIVER REGIONAL COIN CLUB**

GRRCC of Sartell, MN has created a new wooden nickel in commemoration of its spring, 2008 coin show. Fall show woods from 2002/2007 woods are also available including 2 versions from 2006. Spring show woods from 1999/2004 and 2007 are also available. They are 40¢ each or 5 for \$2. Send a legal-size SASE with sufficient postage for a padded insert to Great River Regional Coin Club, PO Box 122, Sartell, MN 56377.

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**HARRISBURG COIN CLUB**

The Harrisburg Coin Club woods for 2008 are available for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Orders for more than 2 woods will be sent in a padded mailer so please add additional postage. Past issues (1970, 1976, 1977 (2), 1978 are available for 25¢ each and 2002/2007 are 50¢ each. Make checks out to Bob Brown and send to Harrisburg Coin Club, c/o Bob Brown, PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING MAY 31, 2009**

Note: Final figures are in for the March mail bid. Total = \$74.75. 10% to IOWMC = \$7.47. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage****GEORGIA**

1. Adel/ND(1969)/Town and Country Fair/5¢/Red
2. Columbus/1966/Chattahoochee Valley Fair/\$1.00/Black/2"
3. Douglas/ND/Summer Fest/5¢/Green
4. Fayetteville/ND/Depot/5¢/Black
5. Fort Oglethorpe/1963/Battle of Chickamauga Centennial/5¢/Black
6. Johnson County/1958/Centennial/5¢/Black/Large Indian
7. Johnson County/1958/Centennial/5¢/Blue/Buffalo
8. Macon/ND/We Like Macon/7½¢/Green
9. Meriwether County/ND(1976)/May Festival Days/5¢/Black
10. Quitman County/1958/Centennial/5¢/Black
11. Terrell County/1956/Centennial (Set of 3)
12. Tifton/ND/Georgia Agrirama/NV/Black
13. Toccoa/1974/Centennial (Set of 4)
14. Wayne County/1955/Sesquicentennial (set of 2)

**HAWAII**

15. Honolulu/1959/50<sup>th</sup> State – The Aloha State/5¢/Black/Large Indian
16. Honolulu/1959/50<sup>th</sup> State – The Aloha State/5¢/Black/Buffalo with Stars
17. Wahiawa(City not on wood)/1976/USA Bicentennial/\$1.00 (Set of 2)
18. Boise (City not on wood)/ND(1998)/Annual Greek Festival/\$5.00/Red
19. Buhl/1956/Golden Jubilee/50¢/Red
20. Coeur D'Alene/ND/Jaycees - Keep Idaho Green/NV/Black
21. Emmett/1957/Cherry Festival/5¢/Red
22. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black/Large Indian
23. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black/Red/Large Indian
24. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black/Eagle
25. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black/Wheel
26. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black-Red/Wheel
27. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black/Buffalo with Stars
28. Idaho Falls/1963/Idaho Territory Centennial/25¢/Black-Brown/Buffalo with Stars
29. Jerome/1982/75 Years/5¢/Black
30. Lewiston/1961/Centennial/25¢/Black (Set of 2)
31. Lewiston/1961/Centennial/5¢/Black/1¼"
32. Montnell/ND/Very Important Person/NV/Green
33. Payette/1975/Jaycees Boomerang Days/NV/Black

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34. Rathdrum/1979/1<sup>st</sup> Annual Prairie Dog Run/5¢/Black/Small Indian
35. Rathdrum/1981/Centennial/NV/Black
36. Rathdrum/ND(1988)/Rathdrum Day (Set of 34)
37. Stites/1999/Centennial/\$1.00/Black
- ILLINOIS
38. Aledo/1955/Centennial/5¢/Blue
39. Allendale/1968/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black-Brown/Small Indian
41. Allendale/1968/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Buffalo
42. Allendale/1969/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black (Set of 2)
42. Allendale/1970/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Buffalo
43. Allendale/1972/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Blue/Small Indian
44. Allendale/1976/Ruritan Celebration & USA Bicentennial/5¢/Black
45. Allendale/1978/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Buffalo
46. Allendale/1979/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Small Indian
47. Allendale/1980/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Small Indian
48. Allendale/1981/Ruritan Celebration/5¢/Black/Small Indian
49. Annawan/1953/Centennial/5¢/Black/Small Indian
50. Annawan/1953/Centennial/5¢/Red/Buffalo
51. Apple River/1968/Centennial/5¢/Black/Buffalo
52. Arcola/1955/Centennial/5¢/Black/1¼"
53. Arcola/2000/Raggedy Ann & Andy Festival/NV/Red
54. Arlington Heights/1961/125 Years/5¢/Black
55. Atwood/1957/Centennial/5¢/Black/Small Indian
56. Atwood/1957/Centennial/5¢/Red/Buffalo
57. Bath/1986/150<sup>th</sup> Year/5¢/Black
58. Beecher/1970/Centennial/5¢/Black
59. Bensenville/1984/Centennial/5¢/Black
60. Benson/1973/Centennial/5¢/Black
61. Bourbonnais/1975/Centennial (Set of 8)
62. Bradford/1968/Galena Trail Days/5¢/Black
63. Breese/1956/Centennial/5¢/Black/Large Indian
64. Breese/1956/Centennial/5¢/Black/Buffalo
65. Brownstown/1958/Golden Anniversary/5¢/Black/Large Indian
66. Brownstown/1958/Golden Anniversary/5¢/Black/Small Indian
67. Bureau/1974/Centennial/5¢/Red
68. Bushnell/ND/C of C/5¢/Black



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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

In the last issue of Bunyan's Chips I listed the members who had not renewed their membership for 2009. Based on a tip, I found that Paul Leistritz of St. Louis, MO had passed away on November 19, 2008. He had celebrated his 68<sup>th</sup> birthday the day before. Our heartfelt condolences go out to family and friends.

This is a call for nominations for officers. I have come to the end of my term of office because I have served as president for 2 years. Each year a position on the Board of Governors is up for election. With Governor II moves up to Governor I, Governor III moves up to Governor II, and we need to elect a new Governor III. Also, the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is vacated, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President becomes the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and we need to elect a new 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. We need your nominations for these 3 offices so please nominate yourself or someone else. Normally this needs to be done by the end of June so that we can mail ballots with the July Bunyan's Chips. (There is no August issue.)

This is also a call for donations for our annual auction and raffle. All proceeds go directly to the club. I will handle the auction and raffle. If you have any donations for the auction please forward them to me by July 10<sup>th</sup> and I will list the lots in the July issue of Bunyan's Chips so everyone has an opportunity to bid on them.

I hope that you all have a safe summer. If you're on a picnic remember to keep cold things cold and hot things hot. Never leave cooked items unrefrigerated for more than 1 hour. Never put cooked meats on plates that had contained raw items (cross-contamination). For the same reason, always wash your hands with soap and water after handling raw items. If in doubt, throw it out. Also, always rinse your fruits and vegetables (especially tomatoes, cucumbers and cantaloupes) in a solution consisting of 1 cap of bleach to 1 gallon of water to kill bacteria. Bacteria on the outside can travel into the fruit and vegetable on the knife when you cut it.

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Not much new to report here. I'm trying to get some articles prepared in advance again since I ran out and that is the reason the newsletter is late – again. If you have any ideas for articles please let me know.

As I said in the president's message, we are asking for donations for our annual auction and raffle. All proceeds go directly to the club. I will handle the auction and raffle. If you have any donations for the auction please forward them to me by July 1<sup>st</sup> and I will list the lots in the July issue of Bunyan's Chips so everyone has an opportunity to bid on them.

Thanks to all the members who have given me positive feedback on my articles. I received several letters about the Barefoot Mailman. If you have ANY topic that you want addressed, please feel free to let me know and I'll write an article. How about woods from your home town, adopted town, a place you've been to, a place you'd like to go to, or even a place you'd like to forget. I'd welcome any suggestions.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nothing new to report. No new members or changes.

Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – May, 2009

Checking Account	
Previous Balance	\$2886.05
Income: Dues	75.00
Donation	10.50
March Mail Bid	7.47
Balance Forward	\$1979.41

Regular Savings	
Previous Balance	\$ 2616.38
Interest	1.00
Balance Forward	\$ 2617.38

Life Membership	
Previous Balance	\$ 2585.92
Interest	0.99
Balance Forward	\$ 2586.91

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## HELL ON WHEELS

By: Darrell Luedtke

The Union Pacific Railroad, stretching from Chicago, Illinois, to Promontory Point, Utah, was built one track at a time until eventually it covered nearly 1500 miles. The speed with which the railroad was built was phenomenal. Through the two or three hundred miles beyond were scattered ten to fifteen thousand men in great gangs preparing the road bed; plows, scrapers, shovels, picks and carts; and, among the rocks, drills and powder were doing the grading as rapidly as men could stand and move with their tools. Long trains brought up to the end of the completed track loads of ties and rails; the former were transferred to teams, sent one or two miles ahead, and put in place upon the grade. Then rails and spikes were reloaded on platform cars, these pushed up to the last previously laid rail, and with an automatic movement and a celerity that were wonderful, practiced hands dropped the fresh rails one after another on the ties exactly in line, huge sledges sent the spikes home, the car rolled on, and the operation was repeated; while every few minutes the long heavy train behind sent out a puff from its locomotive, and caught up with its load of material the advancing work. The only limit, inside of eight miles in twenty-four hours, to the rapidity with which the track could thus be laid, was the power of the road behind to bring forward the materials.

As the Railroad marched thus rapidly across the broad continent of plain and mountain, there was improvised a rough and temporary town at its every public stopping-place. As this was changed every thirty or forty days, these settlements were of the most perishable materials,-canvas tents, plain board shanties, and turf-hovels,-pulled down and sent forward for a new career, or deserted as worthless, at every grand movement of the Railroad company. Only a small proportion of their populations had to do with the road, or any legitimate occupation. Most were the hangers-on around the disbursements of such a gigantic work, catching the drippings from the feast in any and every form that it was possible to reach them. Restaurant and saloon keepers, gamblers, desperadoes of every grade, the vilest of men and of women made up this "Hell on Wheels," as it was most aptly termed. The huge numbers of wage-earning young men working in what was a remote wilderness, far from the constraints of home, proved to be a lucrative opportunity for those with expertise at separating such men from their money. Mayhem and violence were a way of life, with the saloon and the cemetery being the most important places in town.

The region where present-day Cheyenne stands was originally occupied by a Native American Plains tribe in the Algonquian linguistic family. The townsite was initially a campsite for the U.S. Army's Major General Grenville M. Dodge and his troops, who were charged in 1865 with finding a railroad route over the Laramie Mountains. In 1867 he established a terminal town and he named it Cheyenne for the local tribe. The city of Cheyenne served as the territorial capital, and later became the state capital of Wyoming.

From its rough and tumble beginnings in 1867, when the population consisted of 600 construction workers, entrepreneurs and camp followers of "dubious character and rowdy habit," Cheyenne has grown to almost 59,000 residents of diversity. Today Cheyenne is known for its rodeo, Cheyenne Frontier Days. Begun in 1897, the event has now grown into the largest outdoor rodeo and western celebration in the world. The celebration includes daily rodeos, nightly concerts, an Indian Village, parades, art shows, pancake breakfasts, a carnival, and more. The 113<sup>th</sup> Cheyenne Frontier Days, which takes place July 17-26, 2009.

Cheyenne has a long history of issuing wooden money, including a cardboard "Frontier Buck" to honor Frontier Days in 1959, a 2" black wooden dollar on its centennial in 1967, 2" wooden dollars for "Hell on Wheels" in 1970, 1971 (undated) and 1972, and in 1986 they issued an undated wooden nickel commemorating Frontier Days.



## JACKASS MAIL

By: Darrell Luedtke

Officially known as route number 8,076, or the San Antonio to San Diego route, but more widely known to collectors as the “Jackass Mail” route.

From 1850 the Post Office Department issued a series of contracts for carrying mail over portions of the California Trail, but no through service was provided. Two major overland postal routes were in operation: one connected Missouri and Salt Lake City and another connected Salt Lake City and California. Most transcontinental mail used steamers via the Isthmus of Panama.

In response to clamoring by residents of California for improved mail service, Congress enacted a postal bill to establish a through-mail route between San Antonio, Texas, and San Diego, California, on August 18, 1856. Further, the Act of December 19, 1856 authorized construction of a military road from El Paso to Fort Yuma and the military posts needed to protect the route. With connections onward from both termini to the major points in both California and the East, it was hoped this route would be faster and less costly.

The military road was soon completed and the Post Office awarded a mail contract to Birch on June 22, 1857, effective for four years, from July 1, 1857. The contract for route 8,076 called for two trips per month between San Antonio and San Diego at \$149,800 per annum. The 1,476 mile route was to be traversed in 30 days.



For operational purposes, the route between El Paso and San Diego was divided into sections. The first, between El Paso and San Antonio, was operated as a round-trip unit. The remaining section utilized mail carriers from each end, El Paso and San Diego, who met in the middle at Maricopa Wells and returned. The mail schedule called for simultaneous departures from San Diego and El Paso on the 9th and 24th of each month. Eastbound and westbound carriers were to meet at Maricopa Wells on the 16th, where the mails were exchanged. The first westbound mail under the Birch contract departed San Antonio on July 9, 1857.

In 1942 a western comedy entitled “Jackass Mail” starred Wallace Beery and Marjorie Main. Beery plays a horse thief who romances saloon owner Main. His goal is to marry the lady and take over her lucrative mail route. He accidentally becomes a hero; she completes the reformation.

On July 9, 1957 a wooden nickel was issued in San Antonio, Texas to commemorate the centennial of the first “Jackass Mail” route’s first run. It is printed in black colored ink.



## MACKINAC ISLAND LILAC FESTIVAL

**By: Darrell Luedtke**

Mackinac Island, Michigan is located in the Straits of Mackinac approximately 7 miles east of the Mackinac Bridge. No automobiles (except for government vehicles) are permitted on Mackinac Island. The most common way to reach Mackinac Island is by ferry from Mackinaw City or St. Ignace. Transportation on the island is by foot, bicycle or horse-drawn carriage.

Native Americans have visited Mackinac Island for over 11,000 year. The first Europeans visited the island in the 1630s. During the American Revolution, the British closed Fort Michilimackinac in present day Mackinaw City and moved the Fort, now called Fort Mackinac, to the Island. Following the Revolution, control of the Straits of Mackinac was turned over to the Americans. The British retook Fort Mackinac for a brief period during the War of 1812.

In 1875, Mackinac (pronounced Mackinaw) became the nation's 2nd National Park. 20 years later the park was turned over to the State of Michigan. 85% of the Island are administered by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission.

All of Mackinac Island was listed as a National Historic Landmark in October 1960. Some of the more notable sites to visit are as follows.

- Fort Mackinac was built in 1780 and was closed as a fort in 1895 as it no longer had any strategic purpose. It has been restored to its late 19th century state through efforts beginning in the 1930s.
- The Grand Hotel is a Victorian-style structure that opened in 1887. It gained national prominence after the 1980 film Somewhere In Time was shot on location at the hotel.
- Mission Church was built in 1829 and is the oldest surviving church building in Michigan.
- The Agency House of the American Fur Company was built in 1820 as the home for the company's Mackinac Island agent.
- The Michigan Governor's Summer Residence was built overlooking the harbor in 1902 and was purchased by the state for use as a governor's residence in 1943.
- Post Cemetery, which is said to be one of only four locations in the United States where the U.S. flag is always flown at half-staff (the others are the Punchbowl in Honolulu, the Gettysburg National Cemetery, and Arlington National Cemetery).

Celebrating Mackinac's lilac collection began in 1949. The idea was to bring people to the Island to enjoy a great horse drawn parade amidst the lovely lilacs that fragrance the Island in June. What began as a one day event called the Mackinac Island Lilac Day has blossomed into a ten day festival. The Lilac Festival Queen and her court are selected from the student body at the Mackinac Island Public School. The Lilac Festival Grand Parade is the finale of the festival. The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Mackinac Island Lilac Festival takes place on June 5-14, 2009.

Since the 1880s, Mackinac Island and Mackinaw City have been famous for one more thing: FUDGE. So much fudge is sold in the Straits' area that tourists in this part of the state are known universally as "fudgies."

In 1992 Mackinac Island issued an undated wooden nickel to honor "Kid's Day", which falls on the last Saturday of the Festival. It is printed in purple colored ink. The wooden nickel admitted a child to tour Fort Mackinac free.



## METROPOLIS – HOME OF SUPERMAN

By: Darrell Luedtke

Metropolis, Illinois is located on the Ohio River, just across from Paducah, Kentucky. It was founded in 1839 and was incorporated in 1873. It's the only Metropolis in the United States, and its heart is Superman.

The city of Metropolis in the *Superman* saga is typically depicted as a large American city, such as Chicago or New York City. In the comics and movies, Metropolis is a city that never sleeps. The town of Metropolis, Illinois, is a lot more like Superman's adoptive midwestern home town of Smallville. The only movie theater in Metropolis has closed. Residents who want to see a theatrical release of a *Superman* film, ostensibly set in their town's fictional namesake, must travel to another town (typically Paducah, Kentucky) to do so.

Metropolis is the home of Superman. Metropolis unabashedly promotes its ties to Superman in all things, big and small. The town square near the courthouse features an enormous bronze statue of the Man of Steel. A smaller wood cutout nearby allows a visitor to pose as Superman for a photo. Then there's the phone booth. It has no phone. It's just there in case Clark Kent shows up and needs a changing room. At the Super Museum, visitors are serenaded non-stop with Superman songs and themes. If you've ever gone looking for Superman silly string and couldn't find it, search no more. The gift shop also has shirts, hats and -- yes -- rocks of kryptonite.

Although Superman's Metropolis is usually used as an allegory for New York City, and in *Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman* is located in the fictional state of New Troy, one *Adventures of Superman* episode actually alludes to Superman living in Illinois.

On January 21, 1972 DC Comics declared Metropolis "Hometown of Superman". On June 9, 1972 the Illinois State Legislature passed Resolution 572 that declared Metropolis the "Hometown of Superman," the comic book superhero who is based in the fictional city of Metropolis. Among the ways it celebrates the character are a large Superman statue in the city, a small Superman museum, and an annual Superman Celebration that is always held the second weekend in June. Also, it has a local newspaper, known as The Metropolis Planet, a name inspired by the newspaper in fictional Metropolis, *The Daily Planet*.

When the comic book killed him off in the 1990s, residents held a funeral.

Every year on the second weekend of June the city of Metropolis has a Superman Celebration. Superman Fans have the chance to become "Honorary Citizens of Metropolis" by purchasing citizenship certificates at the Metropolis Chamber of Commerce during the Celebration. Owners of these certificates will have the chance to stand at the Superman Statue and be "sworn in" by the Metropolis mayor.

Metropolis Chamber of Commerce issued an undated wooden nickel to proclaim itself as the "Home of Superman". It is printed in red colored ink. The reverse reads "TUIT".

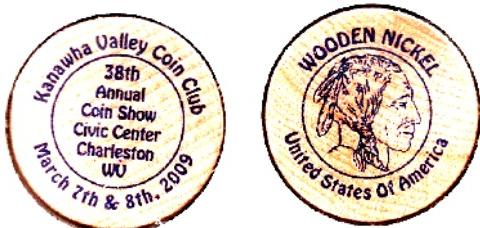


**C.C. OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD**

The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, Massachusetts has issued a wooden nickel on May 31, 2009 To order send 50¢ for each wood plus large SASE or bubble mailer with sufficient postage to the Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741.

**KANAWHA VALLEY COIN CLUB**

The Kanawha Valley Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel to mark its 38<sup>th</sup> annual show. The ink is in dark blue. The woods are priced at 50¢ each plus a SASE. Orders should be submitted to KVCC, PO Box 775, Hurricane, WV 25526. Earlier issues are available.

**OLD CAPITOL COIN CLUB**

The Old Capitol Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel to mark it's 13<sup>th</sup> annual coin show. They are printed in black ink. Woods are available from Steve Schooley at 124 Marietta Ave, Iowa City, IA 52246. No price was listed. He can be contacted at kschooley@netzero.net or by calling (319) 337-3638.

**SOUTH SHORE COIN CLUB**

The South Shore Coin Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin has issued a wooden nickel commemorating its 45<sup>th</sup> annual coin show. They are printed in red ink. They are available for 25¢ plus a SASE from Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. Back issues of almost every year back to 1964 are also available for 25¢ each or 5 for \$1 plus a SASE.

**INDIANA COIN CLUB**

The Indian Coin Club of Indiana, PA has issued a wooden nickel to commemorate its "golden" 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2008. To obtain a free wooden nickel, send a SASE to Indiana Coin Club Inc., PO Box 1441, Indiana, PA 15701.

**SOUTH HILLS COIN CLUB**

This year marks the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Wooden nickels from the February coin show are still available for \$1.00 plus a SASE for every 3 that you would like. Send requests to South Hills Coin Club, PO Box 161, Bethel Park, PA 15102.

**GREAT RIVER REGIONAL COIN CLUB**

GRRCC of Sartell, MN has created a new wooden nickel in commemoration of its spring, 2009 coin show. Past issues are also available. They are 40¢ each or 5 for \$2. Send a legal-size SASE with sufficient postage for a padded insert to Great River Regional Coin Club, PO Box 122, Sartell, MN 56377.

**HARRISBURG COIN CLUB**

The Harrisburg Coin Club woods for 2008 are available for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Orders for more than 2 woods will be sent in a padded mailer so please add additional postage. Past issues (1970, 1976, 1977 (2), 1978 are available for 25¢ each and 2002/2007 are 50¢ each. Make checks out to Bob Brown and send to Harrisburg Coin Club, c/o Bob Brown, PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING MAY 31, 2009**

Note: Final figures are in for the March mail bid. Total = \$74.75. 10% to IOWMC = \$7.47. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage****ILLINOIS – All are official round woods**

1. Calumet City, 1976, USA Bicentennial, \$1.00, Red/Blue, 2"
2. Camp Point, 1955, Centennial, 10¢, Green
3. Cary, 1982, Cary Days, NV, Black
4. Centralia, 2001, Fall Festival & Halloween Parade, 5¢, Large Indian
5. Cerro Gordo, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Large Indian
6. Cerro Gordo, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Small Indian
7. Channahon, 1981, Homecoming, 5¢, Black, Brave
8. Chenoa, 1954, Centennial (Set of 3)
9. Cicero, 1957, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Man
10. Cissna Park, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
11. Clinton, 1985, 150<sup>th</sup>, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
12. Collinsville, ND, International Horseradish Festival, NV, Black
13. Crescent City, 1985, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
14. Dallas City, 1959, Centennial of Incorporation, 5¢, Green, Wagon
15. Dallas City, 1964, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Founding, 5¢, Red, Wagon
16. Davis Junction, 1975, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Chief
17. Downers Grove, 1968, 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Black
18. Durand, 1956, Centennial (Set of 2)
19. Elizabeth, 1968, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
20. Erie, 1972, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
21. Findlay, 1992, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
22. Ford County, 1959, Centennial (Set of 4)
23. Ford County, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Black
24. Ford County, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Green
25. Ford County, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Red
26. Frankfort, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black
27. Frankfort, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Blue
28. Fulton, ND, C of C, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
29. Geneseo, 1961, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Green, Chief
30. Geneseo, 1968, July 4-5-6-7 Celebration, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
31. Geneseo, 1968, July 4-5-6-7 Celebration, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
32. Genoa, 1986, 150 Years, \$1.00, Black
33. Georgetown, 1977, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
34. Gibson City, 1976, USA Bicentennial, NV, Blue, Liberty Bell
35. Girard, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Harper Indian

36. Glen Carbon, 1992, Centennial, 5¢, Green, Standing Indian
37. Greenfield, 1984, 150<sup>th</sup>, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
38. Greenup, 1984, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
39. Gridley, 1956, Centennial (Set of 3)
40. Grundy County, ND(1973), 25<sup>th</sup> Corn Festival, NV, Black
41. Hampton, 1963, Quasqui-Centennial (Set of 6)
42. Harvard, 1956, Milk Day Centennial, 5¢, Red
43. Henning, 1978, Centennial (Set of 2)
44. Henry County, ND, Country Lanes Festival, NV, Black, TUIT
45. Highland, 1987, Sesquicentennial (Set of 2)
46. Hillsboro, 1966, Washington County Fair, 5¢, Black, Rocket
47. Holcomb, 1976, Centennial, 5¢, Black, How
48. Hoopeston, 1955, National Sweet Corn Festival, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
49. Hoopeston, 1955, National Sweet Corn Festival, 5¢, Brown, Buffalo
50. Hoopeston, 1971, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
51. Hoopeston, 1971, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
52. Hume, 1976, USA Bicentennia, 5¢, Red, Buffalo W/ Stars
53. Kampserville, 1974, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
54. Kankakee, ND, Jaycees/B.T.A.E.S., 5¢, Black, Small Indian
55. Kickapoo, 1986, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
56. La Grange, 1954, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Buildings
57. Lake Zurich, ND, C of C Sidewalk Sale, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
58. Lemont, 1973, Centennial, NV, Black, Grade School
59. Liberty, 1976, Bicentennial, 5¢, Black, Liberty Bell, W/Hole
60. Libertyville, Mundelein, Vernon Hills (LMV C of C), ND(1997)
61. Lisle, ND, Shop Lisle, 5¢, Black, Brave
62. Lombard, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Purple, Buffalo W/Stars
63. Lyndon, 1972, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Crow Festival, 10¢, Black, Two Wooden
64. Marshall, 1976, USA Bicentennial, 5¢, Black
65. Marshall, 1985, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
66. Martinsville, 1983, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
67. Mattoon, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Mattoon Banks
68. Mazon, 1976, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Chief
69. McConnell, 1988, Sesquicentennial (Set of 2)
70. Melvin, 1971, Centennial, 5¢, Black, State Bank
71. Metropolis, ND, Home of Superman, NV, Red
72. Moline, 1976, Pioneer Days, 50¢, Black, Genuine Indian

All bids must be received by June 1, 2009. Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: [dluedtke8@wi.rr.com](mailto:dluedtke8@wi.rr.com)

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

Pat Whalen of Masury, Ohio passed away on June 8<sup>th</sup> after a brief battle with cancer. He was 67. Pat was born on May 16, 1942, in Sharon, Pennsylvania. He worked for the Conrail Railroad and served as secretary-treasurer of the local railroad union before retiring in 1994 after 20 years working as a trackman. Pat was a charter member of the Penn-Ohio Wooden Money Collectors and a member of IOWMC. Pat devoted much time and personal effort to the POWMC, readily welcomed new members, and shared stories as well as wooden nickels from his collection. Friends looked forward to receiving the Railroad Wooden Flats that Pat published each Christmas. We will miss Pat's good humor and ready smile, and knowledge of the hobby.

I received a note from Mrs. Joe May of Saucier, MS. She said that Joe passed away on May 12, 2009. She also related that Joe really enjoyed collecting. We'll miss Joe.

As you may know, IOWMC has decided not to attend the ANA convention in Los Angeles this summer. This decision was made by the Board of Directors after careful consideration. Things that entered the thought process included the \$100 fee for a table on the bourse and the low turn-out of members at ANA functions in the past.

Enclosed you will find raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the many wonderful prizes available in this year's raffle. (If you do not believe in gambling, just throw the tickets away.) This is the one big event that IOWMC sponsors each year to raise money and it helps to make up the difference \$5.00 difference between the cost of publishing Bunyan's Chips and your dues. All profits go to IOWMC. Just return the raffle tickets by August 15<sup>th</sup> and you will be entered in the raffle that will take place that day. All items will be mailed out shortly thereafter. Also, our auction lists many wonderful things that are up for auction. Again, all items were donated to IOWMC and all profits go to IOWMC. The auction will end on August 15<sup>th</sup> and all items will be mailed out shortly thereafter.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

## EDITOR'S REPORT

Well, I did it again. The last 2 mail bids contained duplicate lot numbers or the wrong date. Must be age catching up with me. Actually, I do proof read what I write and then I go back into the file on my computer and make the changes. However, after the changes are made I need to close the file and it gives me 2 options, "save changes" or "don't save changes". I think I've been hitting the wrong button and it doesn't save the changes so the errors persist. I will try to be more careful in the future but it's apparent that age, forgetfulness and dementia are probably catching up with me.

Member missing. The last 2 issues of Bunyan's Chips that were mailed to Stephen Harman, Princeton, WV were returned as undeliverable. Stephen is a life member. If you know what happened to Stephen, please let me know.

We have many wonderful items in our raffle and auction. Thanks to everyone who donated. This is our main money maker during the year and helps the club remain solvent. We usually raise about \$700 through this process. Please return your raffle tickets and bid on some of the items in the auction.

This issue includes a ballot for officers. We did not get a nomination for president and those that I contacted had various reasons for turning down the nomination. If you want to self-nominate yourself please let me know. Although the main job of the president is to conduct business at the annual meeting and resolve issues, the president also writes a message to the members in each issue of Bunyan's Chips. I can help you write the article. I have included a "write-in" line for each position and if you want to enter your name or someone else's I will contact nominees to see if they accept. The person with the most votes wins. If there is a tie we will have a run-off in September.

An idea has surfaced that we have our annual meeting somewhere in the center of the country so it is easier for members to travel to the meeting. One idea was to have it in conjunction with the Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS) convention. CSNS is one of premier regional numismatic societies and covers 13 states in the north central part of the country. Next year the CSNS convention will be in Milwaukee and in 2010 through 2016 it will be held in a Chicago suburb. What do you think?

The July issue of Bunyan's Chips is the last one until September. It is only 4 pages in length because we need to include the ballot, raffle tickets and envelopes. The next issue will be in September, at which time we will have a lot of catching up to do.

Have a great summer and good luck in finding the woods you need.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### NEW MEMBER:

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Collecting Interests: MA, WI, IL Flats or Rounds  
Sponsor: Darrell Luedtke

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*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## **IOWMC BALLOT 2009**

PLEASE MARK YOUR CHOICES IN THE SPACE MARKED. THE VICE PRESIDENT IS ELECTED TO A 2 YEAR TERM; EACH YEAR WE ELECT A VICE PRESIDENT II, WHO MOVES UP TO VICE PRESIDENT I THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS POSITION IS ELECTED TO A 3 YEAR TERM; EACH YEAR WE ELECT A BOARD OF GOVERNORS III, WHO MOVES UP TO BG II THE NEXT YEAR AND BG I THE FOLLOWING YEAR. OFFICERS CANNOT BE ELECTED TO THE SAME POSITION FOR MORE THAN 2 TERMS. PLEASE MARK YOUR BALLOT BESIDE YOUR CHOICE.

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PRESIDENT

WRITE IN CANDIDATE \_\_\_\_\_

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VICE PRESIDENT II

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UPON COMPLETING YOUR VOTE, PLEASE FOLD IT IN THIRDS, TAPE OR STAPLE IT, AND MAIL TO THE PRESIDENT, DARRELL LUEDTKE, 9957 W MARGARET LANE, FRANKLIN, WI 53132. DARRELL WILL TABULATE THE VOTES IN THE PRESENCE OF AT LEAST ONE ADDITIONAL MEMBER. MAKE SURE THE ADDRESS AND "IOWMC BALLOT" IS SHOWING. IF YOU PREFER TO USE AN ENVELOPE, PLEASE ADDRESS IT AS ABOVE. ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 1, 2009 TO BE COUNTED.

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IOWMC BALLOT

**2009 IOWMC AUCTION**

Below is a list of items that are in IOWMC's annual fund-raising auction. This is one of the main ways we use to raise money during the year. All items were donated and all profits go to IOWMC. Send bids by lot number to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. Highest bid received by August 15<sup>th</sup> will win the lot. A list of final prices realized will appear in the September issue of Bunyan's Chips.

1. DVD: Steam Trains (18 programs totaling 20 hours)FLATS
2. 12 Slogan (centennial, bicentennials) postal 2008 cancellations
3. 12 Slogan (centennial, bicentennials) postal 2008 cancellations
4. 11 Slogan (centennial, bicentennials) postal 2008 cancellations
5. 11 Slogan (centennial, bicentennials) postal 2008 cancellations
6. 7 train wooden flats
7. 12 train wooden rounds
8. Set of 4 Palm Court wooden nickels (10¢, 15¢, 25¢, 35¢)
9. Set of 7 Legend Inn Tavern wooden nickels (75¢, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75)
10. Round: Chicago, 1933, Century of Progress wooden nickel, embossed, brown, 35mm
11. Round: Chicago, 1933, Century of Progress wooden nickel, embossed, brown, 35mm
12. Flat: MI/Bad Axe/1935/Jubilee & Homecoming/10¢/Green/Septimus Irwin
13. Flat: MO/Hannibal/1935/100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birth of Mark Twain/5¢/Black
14. Flat: MO/Hannibal/1935/100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birth of Mark Twain/10¢/Green
15. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/First Issue (Set of 3)
16. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/First Issue (Set of 3)
17. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/Second Issue (Set of 3)
18. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/Second Issue (Set of 3)
19. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/Third Issue (Set of 3)
20. Flat: NY/Scotia/1954/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green-Black/Third Issue (Set of 3)
21. Flat: OH/Ross County(Chillicothe)/1938/NW Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Orange/No Letter
22. Flat: OH/Ross County(Chillicothe)/1938/NW Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Green/B
23. Flat: OH/Ross County(Chillicothe)/1938/NW Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Red-Green/F
24. Flat: PA/Greensburg/1949/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Green/5/8" Bust
25. Flat: TX/Port Arthur/1948/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Green/Oil & Industry
26. Round: IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 1/8" Round (Set of 5)
27. Round: IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 1/8" Round/5¢/Green
28. Round: IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 1/8" Round/5¢/Red
29. Round: NJ/Washington/1968/Centennial/5¢/Blue/Seal
30. Round: OH/Greenville/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Red/2 3/8"
31. Round: PA/Chambersburg/1972/30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Letterkenny Army Depot/\$1.00/2" (set of 3) (Semi)
32. Round: Blaine/1933/Blaine Relief Association/50¢/Black/FCG/Handwritten initials and #'s
33. 28 different "Soldiers of the American Revolution" Bicentennial wooden balsa flats
34. 10 different "Bicentennial Colonial Flags" wooden balsa flats
35. 14 different "Bicentennial Stamps on Wood" wooden balsa flats
36. Monroe County, PA 1986 Sesquicentennial sealed 4 wooden nickel set
37. Poway, CA Coineers 1968 anniversary sealed 6 wooden nickel mint set
38. West Valley, CA Coin Club 1969 Coin-O-Rama sealed 5 wooden nickel mint set
39. 15 different "Baseball Immortals" wooden balsa flats
40. 15 different "Flags of the United States" wooden balsa flats

## 2009 IOWMC RAFFLE

Below is a list of items that are in IOWMC's annual fund-raising raffle. This is one of the main ways we use to raise money during the year. Tickets are 50¢ each. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "IOWMC". When returning the tickets, please write your name on the rear of the ticket and don't forget to add postage onto the envelope. Please return your raffle tickets to: IOWMC, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. The drawing will be held on August 15<sup>th</sup> and all prizes will be shipped as soon as possible after that. A list of final winners will appear in the September issue of Bunyan's Chips.

1. 1 year's dues
2. 1 year's dues
3. 1 year's dues
4. 1 year's dues
5. Executive Series Calculator and Pen
6. DVD: Celebrity
7. DVD: My Boss's Daughter
8. 6" Mantel Clock, battery operated
9. Men's silver watch
10. Men's gold & silver multi-function watch
11. Dual-power calculator
12. Total Rewards folding nylon shopping bag
13. Total Rewards folding nylon shopping bag
14. Lady' gold quartz watch
15. Roosevelt Bank zippered bank bag
16. Key fob, silver colored
17. 30 California 1½" good-fors wooden nickels
18. 13 ANA Convention pin-backs
19. 31 Christmas flat wooden nickels
20. 8 ANA and personal 2" woods
21. 10 Sambo's wooden nickels
22. 42 Sambo's wooden nickels
23. Set of 4 Palm Court wooden nickels (10¢, 15¢, 25¢, 35¢)
24. Set of 7 Legend Inn Tavern wooden nickels (75¢, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75)
25. Krause 2001 Christmas party, 2002 Cabin Fever party wooden nickels
26. 7 Fostoria '99 wooden flats, 2" rounds, 1½" rounds
27. 7 Fostoria '99 wooden flats, 2" rounds, 1½" rounds
28. Flat: IL/Mercer County/1942/July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration/5¢/Orange/Series C
29. Flat: IN/Lowell/1952/Centennial/5¢/Red/Celebration
30. Flat: IN/Lowell/1952/Centennial/10¢/Red/Special Issue
31. Flat: IA/Burlington/1938/Iowa Territorial Centennial/5¢/Black/Old Zion Church
32. Flat: IA/Burlington/1938/Iowa Territorial Centennial/10¢/Green/Old Zion Church
33. Flat: IA/Cedar Falls/1952/Centennial/5¢/Brown/Fun For You
34. Flat: KS/Osawatomie/1954/Centennial/7½¢/Black/V
35. Flat: KS/Osawatomie/1954/Centennial/17½¢/Reddish-Brown/V
36. Flat: ME/Waterville/1952/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Green-Black/The Heart of Maine
37. Flat: MD/Cumberland/1937/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Purple-Blue/Union Imprint/Horizontal Grain
38. Flat: MD/Cumberland/1937/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Purple-Blue/Union Imprint/Vertical Grain
39. Flat: MD/Cumberland/1937/Sesquicentennial/5¢/Purple-Blue/No Union Imprint/Vertical Grain
40. Flat: OH/Fremont/1949/Centennial Jubilee/5¢/Blue/Bust of Fremont
41. Flat: OH/Portsmouth/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Red-Black/B/Horizontal Grain
42. Flat: OH/Portsmouth/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/5¢/Blue-Black/C/Horizontal Grain



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

We received a letter from Joy Leistritz. Her husband Paul Leistritz passed away on November 19, 2008. Paul's wife Joy wants to become a member. She mentioned in her letter how much both her and Paul enjoyed reading Bunyan Chips. (Way to go Darrell).

27 ballots were cast in the annual election. Election results were tabulated with the help of David Hunsicker. The results are as follows.

President Darrell Luedtke (overwhelming majority)

(others receiving votes were Ken Paulsen, Larry White, David Clouse and Norm Boughton)

VP II Wally Pattengill (overwhelming majority)

(others receiving votes were Bob Brown Jr and Larry White)

BG III Ken Paulsen (overwhelming majority)

(others receiving votes were Del Cushing and David Clouse)

My thanks to out-going BGI Floyd Thomas and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ken Paulsen (and congratulations to him on his election as BG III) for their valuable input and assistance during the past 2 years.

There are a lot of unsung heroes without whom the club would not function and I especially want to thank Maurina Boughton, Secretary, who keeps tabs on membership payments, maintains the official membership listing, prepares the membership cards and writes a report for each issue of Bunyan's Chips. I also want to especially thank Del Cushing, Treasurer, who ensures that we are incorporated, maintains the certificates of deposit, bank and checking accounts, deposits checks and cash into the accounts, maintains a secondary membership list, and writes a report for each issue of Bunyan's Chips.

More notes and news under the editor's report.

*Darrell Luedtke, President*

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

## EDITOR'S REPORT

The raffle and auction were a great success. Gross proceeds from the auction were \$236.40 and the raffle raised \$401.00. Mailing expenses were \$56.18 for a net profit of \$581.22. The results are included in this newsletter. Since the newsletter costs over \$12.00 per member per year and dues are only \$7.50, this is our main means of making up the difference. I want to thank everyone who participated, whether you donated something, bid on something or bought a raffle ticket. Some of you were very generous and we especially thank you. Everyone should have received their winnings by now. If not, please contact the editor because he was the one who donated his time and packaging materials.

My sincere thank you to everyone who wondered why I didn't run their wanted, for sale and advertisements. This is a hectic time of the year due to the auction, raffle, election and envelope containing raffle tickets and I have to regulate the mailing to keep it under 1 ounce. Hopefully I'll catch up over the next month or two.

I hope that you had a great summer. I spent mine taking care of the garden and orchard, not to mention canning various kinds of tomatoes, pickles, beets, beans and I'm currently canning pears and apple and grape juice. I did some consulting work out of the country and I'm getting ready for another trip to China. In between I'm sorting wooden nickels and filling orders as fast as I can.

The next couple of issues of Bunyan's Chips will have mail bids of private collections and the donors are being very generous in their support of IOWMC.

Member Stephen Harman of Princeton, WV is still listed as missing in action. Stephen is a life member. If you know what happened to Stephen, let me know.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

No new members to report.

Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – August, 2009

Checking Account	
Previous Balance	\$1991.68
Income:	
Interest	0.38
Dues	53.00
Mail Bid	22.84
Income Sub-Total	\$2067.90
Expenses:	
Editor Advance	425.80
Secretary Expenses	90.65
State Incorporation	10.00
Expenses Sub-Total	\$ 526.46
Total Forward	\$1541.45

Regular Savings	
Previous Balance	\$ 2618.63
Interest	1.00
Balance Forward	\$ 2619.63

Life Membership	
Previous Balance	\$ 2588.15
Interest	0.99
Balance Forward	\$ 2589.14

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## 2009 IOWMC AUCTION RESULTS

Final figures are in for the annual IOWMC auction. (Ties were decided on the earliest bid date.) Total proceeds for the auction was \$236.40, minus shipping costs. Thanks to everyone who donated items, to those who bid and congratulations to the winners.

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b>Winning Bid</b>
1.	Bill Manifold	No bid
2.	Ken Paulsen	\$3.00
3.	Ken Paulsen	\$3.00
4.	Ken Paulsen	\$3.00
5.	Ken Paulsen	\$3.00
6.	Darrell Luedtke	\$15.00
7.	Darrell Luedtke	\$15.00
8.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
9.	Maurina Boughton	\$6.00
10.	Maurina Boughton	\$8.00
11.	Maurina Boughton	\$6.50
12.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
13.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
14.	Maurina Boughton	\$15.50
15.	Maurina Boughton	\$7.75
16.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
17.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
18.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
19.	Maurina Boughton	\$8.00
20.	Maurina Boughton	\$7.75
21.	Maurina Boughton	\$4.25
22.	Maurina Boughton	\$4.25
23.	Maurina Boughton	\$4.25
24.	Maurina Boughton	\$2.50
25.	Maurina Boughton	\$3.00
26.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
27.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
28.	Maurina Boughton	No bid
29.	Maurina Boughton	\$2.25
30.	Maurina Boughton	\$3.90
31.	Maurina Boughton	\$5.50
32.	Maurina Boughton	\$7.75
33.	Darrell Luedtke	\$15.00
34.	Darrell Luedtke	\$10.00
35.	Darrell Luedtke	No bid
36.	Darrell Luedtke	\$8.25
37.	Darrell Luedtke	\$5.00
38.	Darrell Luedtke	\$4.00
39.	Darrell Luedtke	\$50.00
40.	Darrell Luedtke	\$5.00

## 2009 IOWMC RAFFLE RESULTS

Final figures are in for the annual IOWMC raffle. Total proceeds for the raffle was \$401.00, minus shipping costs. Thanks to 58 members who purchased a total of 782 tickets, to the 2 members who donated money and to David Hunsicker for assisting in the drawing. And last, but certainly not least, thanks to the donors of the raffle prizes.

Our deepest appreciation to everyone who donated prizes, purchased raffle tickets or donated to the club. I think it is important to note those who contributed. \$25: Lawrence Grinder; \$20: Donald Charters; \$10: William Baab, Gerald Braithwaite, Joseph Burford, Del Cushing, Bob Fritsch, Jan Henke, John Hoffman, Cecil Sanderson, Rita Stankiewicz, Ernestine Winget, \$6: Dan Lipstein; \$5: Charles Alber, Les Albright, Pat Babbitt, Gary Beckstrom, Harley Bissell, Bill Blake, Don Blake, Richard Blaylock, Maurina Boughton, Carl Britz, Bob Brown Jr, Peter Caminati, Phillip Chinitz, Don Clifford, Ella Cochrane, Steve Corey, Frank Cover, Fred Davis, Virginia Dennis, Linda Fleming, Richard Gill, Ed Herman, Denver Howard, Robert Kuhn, John Lawrence, Darrell Luedtke, Bill Manifold, Roland Mantovani, John Meiling, Rick Parent Jr, Wally Pattengill, Ken Paulsen, Don Pearson, Duane Reeves, Gary Schauls, Tina Schneider, Alred Schubert, Dana Smith, Bill Snider, Donald Thibodeau, Floyd Thomas, Tommy Wagner, Dreux Watermolen, Joseph Urpack Sr, Henry Webster, Michael Whelan, Sandra Wolf, Al Zaika. Donations: \$5: Steve Corey, John Lawrence. Thanks also to Mark Kemp for donating woods that will be used by the club in the future.

<b><u>Lot #</u></b>	<b><u>Donor</u></b>	<b><u>Winner</u></b>	<b><u>Lot #</u></b>	<b><u>Donor</u></b>	<b><u>Winner</u></b>
1.	Darrell Luedtke	Dan Lipstein	22.	Maurina Boughton	Virginia Dennis
2.	Darrell Luedtke	John Hoffman	23.	Maurina Boughton	Alfred Schubert
3.	Darrell Luedtke	Cecil Sanderson	24.	Maurina Boughton	Virginia Dennis
4.	Darrell Luedtke	Don Charters	25.	Mark Kemp	Jan Henke
5.	Bill Manifold	Joseph Urpack Sr	26.	Maurina Boughton	Pat Babbitt
6.	Bill Manifold	Linda Fleming	27.	Maurina Boughton	Don Charters
7.	Bill Manifold	Dan Lipstein	28.	Maurina Boughton	Ken Paulsen
8.	Ken Paulsen	Bill Snider	29.	Maurina Boughton	Henry Webster
9.	Ken Paulsen	Bill Snider	30.	Maurina Boughton	Don Pearson
10.	Ken Paulsen	Jan Henke	31.	Maurina Boughton	John Lawrence
11.	Ken Paulsen	Michael Whelan	32.	Maurina Boughton	Gary Schauls
12.	Ken Paulsen	Joseph Urpack Sr.	33.	Maurina Boughton	Don Blake
13.	Ken Paulsen	Joseph Urpack Sr.	34.	Maurina Boughton	Maurina Boughton
14.	Ken Paulsen	Don Charters	35.	Maurina Boughton	Frank Cover
15.	Ken Paulsen	William Baab	36.	Maurina Boughton	Wally Pattengill
16.	Ken Paulsen	Don Charters	37.	Maurina Boughton	Rita Stankiewicz
17.	Ken Paulsen	Peter Caminati	38.	Maurina Boughton	Carl Britz
18.	Ken Paulsen	Dana Smith	39.	Maurina Boughton	Robert Fritsch
19.	Ken Paulsen	Pat Babbitt	40.	Maurina Boughton	Don Pearson
20.	Ken Paulsen	Robert Kuhn	41.	Maurina Boughton	Don Charters
21.	Ken Paulsen	Rita Stankiewicz	42.	Maurina Boughton	Cecil Sanderson

## THE DISTLEFINK OF BERKS COUNTY

By: Darrell Luedtke

In the 1740's Germanic peoples immigrated to the U.S. (primarily to Pennsylvania), from Germany and The Low Countries. The Dutch are generally regarded as one of several Germanic peoples. Pennsylvania Dutch are a people of various religious affiliations, most of them Lutheran or Reformed, but many Anabaptists as well. They took up residence in southeastern Pennsylvania.

In 1743, Richard and Thomas Penn (sons of William Penn the founder of Pennsylvania, and grandsons of Sir William Penn for whom Pennsylvania is named) planned the town of Reading. Taking its name from the town of Reading in England in honor of their home, it was established in 1748.

After Reading was established the inhabitants of northern Lancaster County sent several petitions requesting that a separate county be established. With the help of German immigrant Conrad Weiser, Berks County was formed on March 11, 1752. It was named after William Penn's family home of Reading, Berkshire, England.

In 1977 Berks County celebrated their 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary by issuing a wooden nickel printed in red ink. The reverse of this wooden nickel bears a bird. The bird is the Distlefink, the good luck bird of the Pennsylvania Dutch settlers. This was the goldfinch who ate thistle seeds and used the down to make a nest, thus called the thistlefinch, hence the Pennsylvania Dutch Distlefink.



## WYNOT, NEBRASKA

By: Darrell Luedtke

There was never a wooden nickel issued in Wynot but I ran across this town when I was doing research on towns in Nebraska and I was intrigued about the name. Now is a good time to share with you what I found because I need 3 inches of text to fill out this column.

The town came into being as a direct result of the railroad expansion. When the town was founded they searched for a proper name. In selecting a name, it is said that when one struck the fancy of the elderly gentleman from whom the land was purchased, he responded "Ja, vy not? Wahrumnicht?" The brogue sounded strange to one of the listeners, who laughingly remarked, "...why not, Wynot?" And so that name was chosen.

Wynot was incorporated on May 4, 1907. The first train arrived in October of that year. Located in the midst of a fertile farming community on Highway 12, Wynot's peak population of 416 was recorded in 1940. The 1980 population of Wynot was 222.

## TIPPECANOE

**By: Darrell Luedtke**

A wooden nickel was issued in Tipp City, Ohio in 1990 for the "Sesquicentennial of Tippecanoe". Since I knew that the Battle of Tippecanoe took place in Indiana, I wondered what this was all about and so I did some investigating.

Tippecanoe City, Ohio was founded in 1840, along the developing Miami and Erie Canal. Its name derives from Presidential candidate William Henry Harrison's nickname, Tippecanoe, which derived from his heroism at the Battle of Tippecanoe in 1811. The town was renamed to Tipp City in 1938 because another town in Ohio was likewise named Tippecanoe. So, as I found out, in 1990 Tipp City celebrated the sesquicentennial of the founding of Tippecanoe, its original name.

As for the Battle of Tippecanoe, I learned the following. Tecumseh and the Prophet, also known as Tenskwatawa, were the American names of two Shawnee Indians. They also were brothers. Tecumseh believed, if the natives put aside their traditional differences and worked together, that they would be able to stop white encroachment onto the Indian's land. Tecumseh's Confederation became linked with his brother's religious movement.

In 1808, the brothers moved their followers to Prophetstown near the Tippecanoe River in the Indiana Territory. The two men continued to spread their messages, and their followers continued to grow in number. By 1811, such a large number of natives lived at Prophetstown that white settlers in Ohio and the Indiana Territory demanded that the government do something to protect them. William Henry Harrison, governor of the Indiana Territory and future president of the United States of America, led an army against Prophetstown in the fall of 1811. He stopped his force a short distance from the Indian village. Tecumseh was away, recruiting other Indians to join his confederation. The Prophet, lacking the military skills of his brother, decided to attack the Americans. He claimed that the Master of Life had come to him and told him that the Indians would succeed in defeating the Americans. He also stated that the whites' bullets would not harm the natives. The Indians attacked Harrison's men before daybreak on the morning of November 7, 1811. Harrison's army had approximately one thousand troops, including infantry and cavalry. The American army defeated the Indians, but they suffered heavy losses: sixty-two men killed and 126 wounded. The Indian's losses are not easy to know because they carried off most of their dead and wounded. Harrison guessed that at least forty Indians were killed. This battle became known as the Battle of Tippecanoe, which occurred north of present-day West Lafayette, Indiana.

The American army drove off the Indians and burned Prophetstown to the ground. Most Indians no longer believed in the Prophet. Many returned to their own villages after the defeat. While Tecumseh's confederation was weakened after the Battle of Tippecanoe, Harrison's fortunes increased as he became known as "Old Tippecanoe." Many years later, he used his reputation as a successful Indian fighter to run for President of the United States. His campaign slogan was "Tippecanoe and Tyler too!"

There is a city in Indiana by the name of Battleground near where the Battle of Tippecanoe took place. In 1961 Battleground, Indiana issued a wooden nickel to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the battle. It is printed in black colored ink.



Wooden Nickel issued in  
Battleground, Indiana

**WOODS WANTED**

\$10.00 for each of the following woods + postage reimbursement.

Parkersburg, WV Coin Club 1966 mint set (rounds)  
 Lebanon, PA 1940 Bicentennial 5¢ black (flat)  
 Louisville, KY Bicentennial Sambo, red & blue (round)  
 Hazel Dell, WA Bicentennial Sambo, red & blue (round)  
 Monterey, CA Samba black, Boy eating pancakes, no tiger  
 Adak, AK Bicentennial (round)  
 Petersburg, AK 1967 Centennial Large 8 sided flat with Salmon on obverse.

These woods must arrive unbroken and must be problem-free (not broken, repaired, cracked, taped, written on or dirty). I reserve the right to reject any woods sent if they do not meet my standards. Send to Bob Brown, PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17D34.

**CC OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD**

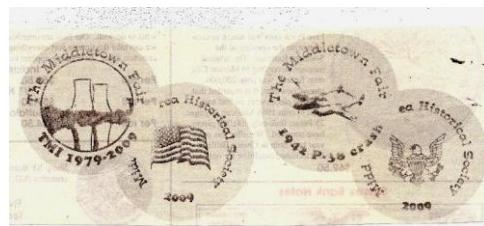
The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, MA has issued a wooden nickel for their August 30, 2009 show. It features a striped bass. It is available for 50 cents each plus SASE or bubble mailer with postage. Order from: C.C. GRTR. N.B., PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741.

**FISHBOWL WOODEN NICKEL CC**

The Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club held their annual coin show on Saturday, August 1, 2009, at the Siren Senior Center in Siren, Wisconsin. The new 2009 wood features a cougar. It is available for \$.50 plus a SASE. Send your request to: Fishbowl Wooden Nickel Coin Club, c/o Gary Schauls, 2702 150<sup>th</sup> Street, Luck, WI 54853-3811.

**MIDDLETOWN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Middletown, PA Area Historical Society issued two wooden nickels during its 34<sup>th</sup> annual Middletown Fair, formerly the Colonial Craft Fair, at Hoffer Park on June 13-14. The theme for this year's woods is Middletown's disasters. One of the woods shows the cooling towers at Three Mile Island Generating Station. It commemorates the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the nuclear meltdown that occurred in 1979. The second wood shows a P-38 fighter plane from Olmsted Air Force Base that crashed into the home of Dr. Oliver Swartz Sr. in Middletown in 1942. Both woods are blue in color and can be ordered from: Middletown Area Historical Society, PO Box 248, Middletown, PA 17057. Price is \$1 per set plus a SASE.

**WOODEN SHEKELS**

A limited edition of 500 wooden shekels celebrates the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Jewish-American Hall of Fame in Berkeley, CA. The wooden shekels are available for a contribution of \$2 each to the Jewish-American Hall of Fame. Send orders and payment to: Mel Wacks, 5189 Jeffdale Ave, Woodland Hills, CA 91364.

**WOODS FOR SALE**

100 different wooden nickels for \$25.00, postage paid.  
 500 different wooden nickels for \$125.00 plus postage.  
 Charles Alber, 6453 E. Edna Mills Dr., Camby, IN 46113-9699

**WOODS FOR SALE**

Thousands of common woods from almost every state. A great time to add woods from the state of your choice. 5 cents each plus postage. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING SEPTEMBER 30, 2009****ALL ARE OHIO FLATS – MINIMUM BID \$1.50 PER FLAT – 50% OF PROFIT GOES TO IOWMC**

1. Bellaire, 1953, Ohio Sesquicentennial – Set of 3
- 2 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Thick 5, Block No, Aqua/Black
- 3 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Thick 5, Block No, Blue/Orange
- 4 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Thick 5, Block No, Brown/Black
- 5 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Thick 5, Block No, Green/Black
- 6 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Thick 5, Block No, Orange/Blue
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- 32 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, First Reissue, Thick 5, Script No, Brown/Black
- 33 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, First Reissue, Thin 5, Block No, Aqua/Black
- 34 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Second Series, Thick 5, Block No, Aqua/Black
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- 40 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Second Series, Thin 5, Block No, Brown/Black
- 41 Cincinnati, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Second Series, Thin 5, Block No, Purple/Black
- 42 Columbus, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Block No, Orange/Blue
- 43 Delphos, 1951, Centennial, Delphos Bending Co., 5¢, Black
- 44 Delphos, 1951, Centennial, Delphos Bending Co., 10¢, Black
- 45 Delphos, 1951, Centennial Gramm Trailer – Set of 3
- 46 Delphos, 1951, Centennial, York Refrigeration, 5¢, Black
- 47 Delphos, 1951, Centennial, York Refrigeration, 10¢, Black
- 48 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, First Centennial Issue, 10¢, Blue
- 49 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, First Centennial Issue, 25¢, Green
- 50 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 2nd Centennial Issue – Set of 3
- 51 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 7th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 52 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 13th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 53 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 17th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 54 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 18th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 55 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 19th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 56 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 21st Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 57 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 22nd Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 58 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 23rd Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 59 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, 24th Centennial Issue, 5¢, Red
- 60 Fostoria, 1954, Centennial, Frigidaire Issue, 5¢, Brown
- 61 Fredericktown, 1950, Centennial, Series I – set of 3
- 62 Fredericktown, 1950, Centennial, Series II – set of 3
- 63 Fredericktown, 1950, Centennial, Series III – set of 3
- 64 Fremont, 1949, Centennial Jubilee, Bust of Fremont, 5¢, Blue
- 65 Georgetown, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Green/Black
- 66 Hamilton, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, Block No, Blue/Red
- 67 Hamilton, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, Script "No." – set of 2
- 68 Hamilton, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, W/O # Prefix
- 69 Ironton, 1949, Centennial, John Campbell, Green – set of 3
- 70 Jackson, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Red/Blue
- 71 Lebanon, 1952, Sesquicentennial – Set of 3
- 72 Lima, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Green/Red
- 73 Lisbon, 1953, Sesquicentennial – set of 3
- 74 Logan County (Bellefontaine), 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black
- 75 Logan County (Bellefontaine), 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Green
- 76 Marietta, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial, Large Red #'s – Set of 6
- 77 Marietta, 1963, 175th Anniversary – Set of 4
- 78 Mercer County (Celina), 1953, Sesquicentennial, Green – Set of 3
- 79 Mercer County (Celina), 1953, Sesquicentennial, Red – Set of 2
- 80 Mercer County (Celina), 1953, Sesquicentennial, Black – Set of 2
- 81 Middletown, 1951, I Am An American Day, 5¢, Red/Blue
- 82 Mt. Victory, 1951, Centennial, 5¢, Green/Red
- 83 Newcomerstown, 1939, 125th Anniversary, 5¢, Blue
- 84 Norwood, 1938, 50th and Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial – Set of 3
- 85 Pataskala, 1951, Centennial – Set of 3
- 86 Pemberville, 1948, Fall Fair, 5¢, Green
- 87 Piqua, 1946, Sesquicentennial – Set of 3
- 88 Portsmouth, 1938, Northwest Territory, Series A, 5¢, Green
- 89 Portsmouth, 1938, Northwest Territory, Series B, 5¢, Red
- 90 Portsmouth, 1938, Northwest Territory, Series C, 5¢, Blue
- 91 Portsmouth, 1938, Northwest Territory, Series D, 5¢, Maroon
- 92 Ross County (Chillicothe), 1938, NW Territory Sesquicentennial, No Letter, 5¢, Orange
- 93 Ross County (Chillicothe), 1938, NW Territory Sesquicentennial, B, 5¢, Green
- 94 Ross County (Chillicothe), 1938, NW Territory Sesquicentennial, D, 5¢, Purple
- 95 Ross County (Chillicothe), 1938, NW Territory Sesquicentennial, E, 5¢, Brown
- 96 Ross County (Chillicothe), 1938, NW Territory Sesquicentennial, F, 5¢, Green/Rose
- 97 Springfield, 1938, Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial – Set of 3
- 98 Steubenville, 1947, Sesquicentennial/Veteran's Homecoming – Set of 3
- 99 Toledo, 1934, Pearson Park Dedication – Set of 3
- 100 Toledo, 1934, Pearson Park Dedication, 5¢, Green
- 101 Toledo, 1934, Pearson Park Dedication, 10¢, Red
- 102 Uhrichsville, 1939, Centennial – Set of 3
- 103 Van Wert, 1969, 50th Anniversary of 1st Transatlantic Flight – Set of 3
- 104 Warren, 1938, Western Reserve Historical Celebration, "A" Prefix, 5¢
- 105 Wellsville, 1950, 155th Anniversary – Set of 3
- 106 Wellsville, 1963, Centennial Morgan's Raid, 5¢, Black

All bids must be received by September 30, 2009. Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: [dluedtke8@wi.rr.com](mailto:dluedtke8@wi.rr.com)

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
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- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.

(5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

What happened to summer? We in the Midwest had a very mild summer but it came and went far too fast. Now we're into fall and its beautiful colors. All too soon the snow will be flying.

Now that summer is over the local coin clubs are meeting again. I belong to several local clubs and every month we have "show and tell" presentations on some numismatic area. I have given several presentations on wooden nickels and have given some out to the members. Anything to push the interest and knowledge in woods. If your club meets within an hour or so of the Milwaukee area let me know and I'll attend a meeting to make a presentation. Meanwhile, everyone should have the same opportunity at their local club. Have you made a presentation lately?

This past Sunday I exhibited at the Milwaukee Numismatic Society's 75<sup>th</sup> annual coin show. I found a couple wooden nickels in dealer's stock. I asked each dealer if they had any wooden nickels and when they said that they didn't I sold a few. Interesting twist.

I have heard that The Old Time Wooden Nickel Company in San Antonio, Texas has been sold. The new owner is continuing to do business as usual. I will give you more information when I get it.

I have had 2 requests already for printers of Christmas wooden nickels. I am in the process of contacting each of the printers and next month's issue will have the contacts, addresses and other information. I would advise you to order early because Christmas is their busy season.

*Darrell Luedtke, President*

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

## EDITOR'S REPORT

The best way to add to your collection is to network with other collectors. A membership list is available from your Secretary for an SASE.

In last month's issue I mentioned several members who donated items for the auction and raffle. I forgot to mention Dreux Watermolen, whose woods were received too late to include but will be offered in the future.

Member Don Clifford has written an article concerning problems with the postal system. The article appears on page 4. I have noted some of the same problems. I noticed that at my local post office some clerks will attempt to bend the envelope to see if it is rigid. If it's rigid it costs more.

Maurina Boughton, our secretary has prepared her annual report

Many coin clubs are issuing wooden nickels for their coin shows, anniversaries and so on. Some of them are included on page 7.

This issue's mail bid is a collection of mostly Iowa wooden nickels. Hopefully you can add some to your collection.

We're still looking for member Stephen Harman of Princeton, WV. Stephen is a life member. If you know what happened to Stephen, let me know.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – August, 2009

### Checking Account

Previous Balance	\$1542.88
Income:	
Interest	0.30
Auction	236.40
Raffle	431.00
Income Sub-Total	\$2067.90
Expenses:	
Prize mailing	-56.18
Total Forward	\$2153.40

### Regular Savings

Previous Balance	\$ 2620.89
Interest	1.01
Balance Forward	\$ 2621.90

### Life Membership

Previous Balance	\$ 2590.27
Interest	0.99
Balance Forward	\$ 2591.37

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

**New Members:**

Eileen Dwelley – R2446  
 PO Box 599  
 Tenino, WA 98059  
 Sponsor: Del Cushing

**Returning Member:**

Steve Corey – R1942  
 PO Box 267  
 Mojave, CA 93501

Joy Leistritz – R2447

86 Berger Road  
 Middletown, MA 63359

Sponsor: Maurina Boughton

Of Note: After the passing of Joy's husband (Paul),  
 she would like to stay on as an IOWMC member.

Hope you continue to enjoy our club, Joy.

Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members.  
 Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

Some information about our current membership:

<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>Changes in 2009</b>	
Honorary	2	Deaths	4
Life Members	32	Resigned	1
Organizations	3	Unpaid Dues	18
Junior	1	New Members	6
		Returning Members	2

We had a lot of turnover in membership this year. Please remember to notify me (PO Box One, Macedon NY 14502) if you move or change addresses so you can continue to receive Bunyan Chips. We were able to locate a few individuals this year that we had lost contact with and am sure they are delighted with the amazing Bunyan Chips put out by our Editor Darrell Luedtke.

I encourage everyone to get a youngster involved in wooden money. It is a fascinating hobby that can be started with very little investment. It is always a learning experience if you go on the internet and research the wooden nickel origin or subject matter.

I am very behind on answering letters received from the membership. Mainly because my trips to the post office consist of simply emptying out the PO Box every few days. Am much better at responding by email. So, if you have an email address, please send it to me and I will put it in our records. Please send it to my email address at [maurina.boughton@xerox.com](mailto:maurina.boughton@xerox.com).

Happy Collecting!!

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

**POSTAL PROBLEMS**  
**By: Don Clifford**

This is to inform members of new postal problems. It seems that the postal clerks at different post offices have different ways of determining the amount of postage required on envelopes with items in them (wooden nickels, etc.)

I recently sent out five small sized envelopes to five different addresses, each with two wooden nickels in them. The nickels were placed between light cardboard to keep them from breaking. Since each envelope's weight was less than one ounce a standard postage stamp was affixed. After about three days I received one back with a note attached that it needed an additional 20¢. What happened to the other four?

I have also mailed out several hundred tokens in small bubble envelopes, size "000". I have postal clerks charge me anywhere from 64¢ to \$1.22 for the same size and weight item. One arrived at its destination with 34¢ postage due, even though the post office had machine stamped the item.

If you order wooden nickels and enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope, use a business size envelope and put your address in both the "To" and "From" locations. Take one to your local post office with the number of woods in it that you want, along with some cardboard protection, and ask your clerk to weigh it and tell you the amount of postage you need to put on it. The business size envelope allows me to secure the woods in the upper left side of the envelope and therefore the automated machines will not damage the woods along the bottom or in the stamp cancellation process. Otherwise send a bubble pack envelope with the packing materials and figure it will cost \$1.22 to mail if it weighs below one ounce.

By putting your address in the return area, if at some point in the post office system they determine that there is inadequate postage, maybe they will return it to you.

**WOOD RIVER, NEBRASKA**  
**By: Darrell Luedtke**

A few families lived along the Wood River by 1859 on campgrounds or a "ranche", bartering with travelers on their westward trek. In 1862 Sioux Indian attacked, killing four members of the Smith and Anderson families. A few years later, the cry went out..."Indians are coming!" and every one in the valley dashed eastward in a mass evacuation, only to find that this time it was a false alarm. Reassured by the soldiers at Fort Kearny, the settlers cautiously returned to their homes.

By 1873 western Hall County could be compared to a three-ring circus. Wood River, Cameron, and Alda were all involved. The Union Pacific Railroad, in an effort to "centralize their depots," moved the Wood River Station two miles east. The Town of Wood River was re-platted and 30-or-so buildings were put on skids, and pulled down the railroad track with teams of horses to the new location.

Now you know how Wood River was moved to where it is currently located. Strange but true. Wood River issued a wooden nickel in 1976 to celebrate the United States centennial.

## **ELWOOD, NEBRASKA**

**By: Darrell Luedtke**

When you look at the lush pastures filled with cattle and the table-like irrigated fields full of grain, it is hard to imagine how the area appeared in May 1885 when the railroad and land company decided to start a town at this location. Elwood is the Gosper County seat, the home of Johnson Lake and the Elwood Reservoir, and provides the major grain handling center for area farms.

Elwood derived its name from a peculiar incident. The story goes that surveyors platting the town could not decide what to call the new station. The men agreed to name it after the first person they met. It was Elwood Thomas, a homesteader, who came wandering by hoping to find a plug of tobacco. So he received the honor of having the town named for him.

Elwood became a terminal for the railroad and a roundhouse was built on the west edge of the town. People flocked to the area and began to build homes and businesses. Two lumber yards provided the materials and before the end of the first year there were 225 people living in the community. Water was hauled from Reed's ranch and sold for 25 cents a barrel.

By 1883 a clamor arose to move the Gosper County seat from Homerville, an inland town by-passed by the railroad, to "the up-and-coming village of Elwood." A Jim Dandy county seat fight erupted. A special election was held, but it was declared fraudulent and contested by the people in Homerville because of obvious ballot box stuffing. It was noted that J.C.Post, who managed the Gosper County Bank in Elwood, had such an intelligent dog that it was on record as having cast a vote. A news reporter commented, "...it speaks well of the livestock in the county that so many votes were cast." On the day when the two towns were to appear in court to decide the outcome of the election, "the rascals" from Elwood tried to steal the records. When the story leaked out, Mrs. Willard, the county clerk's wife, hid both the records and her children in the cellar.

The atmosphere was so tense that all of the county officials, except the deputy clerk, decided they would go to McCook for the day, (considered a safe distance away). Women and children watched anxiously as people from Elwood came riding into Homerville with drums, horns, and guns, but they found only a few non-essential ledgers that had not been hidden away. The final decision was in favor of Elwood. Gradually the buildings and homes in Homerville were moved nine miles north, across the dusty hills to Elwood, "located on the railroad."

The population of Elwood took a jump in 1940 when the town was filled with construction workers building Johnson Lake and the irrigation canal system that is now Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District. Irrigation brought with it the ability to weather the droughts. Agriculture income remains the primary economic base of the community. Records show that the 1980 census of 716 was the highest to date, with the current count approximately 750 residents.

The town is a proud, clean community with three active churches. It is the home of the Elwood High School Pirates. Commercially it has two banks, two grain elevators, a major implement dealer, two irrigation supply stores, a weekly newspaper "The Elwood Bulletin," and other businesses and services. In the past five years the area has suffered from the agriculture recession. It lost a grocery store, the lumber yards, and a service station. Recently however, it gained a new medical clinic, drug store, a gift store, and a new petroleum dealer. The railroad that gave Elwood its start still serves the town.

In 1985 Elwood celebrated its centennial. The city issued a wooden nickel that was redeemable at the centennial carnival. In addition, Elwood Standard Service issued a semi-official wooden nickel to celebrate the occasion.

## A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By: Bob Brown

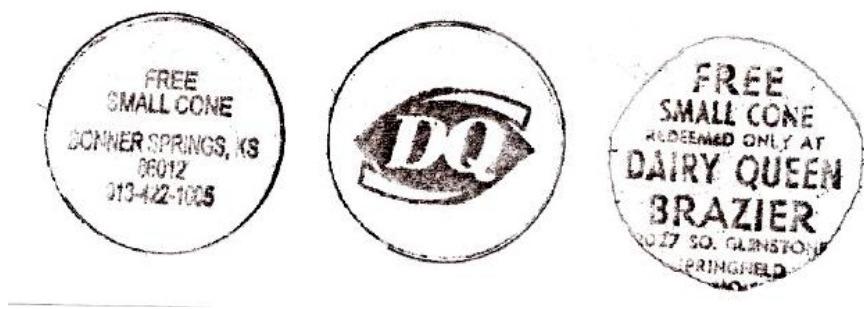
Below are two more Dairy Queen woods that have been reported to me that are not in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". The first was sent in by Floyd Thomas and is from Bonner Springs, KS and it has an entirely new Dairy Queen logo on the reverse.

The second wood copy was sent in by Rich Boyles and is from Springfield, MO and has a type 2 reverse. The copy of this wood is a little larger than the actual wood. Rich does not say what the color of this one is so I assume it is the traditional red in color as is the one reported by Floyd.

In my last Dairy Queen Update I reported on a wood from' Ellisville which was listed on the holder as being from Mississippi. Since then both Bill Snider and Ken Paulsen have notified me that the wood is from Missouri somewhere near St. Louis. So mark your Dairy Queen Update to indicate the change.

If anyone has any Dairy Queen tokens to report please send me the information and a picture of the wood, or the wood itself if you are willing to part with it, and I will report it in this column and see that you are given credit for finding it. I am also looking for Dairy Queen woods for my collection. Many of the tokens shown in my book are not in my collection, so don't think because they are in my book that I have them. I am willing to buy or trade for any that I need.

Thanks to all who have contributed to this listing in the past. Without your help this book and these updates would not be possible. So thanks again!!



## WOODEN SHEKELS ISSUED

By: Darrell Luedtke

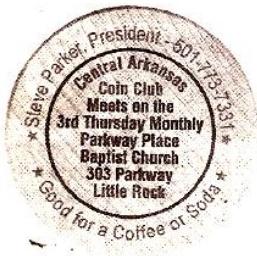
A limited edition of 500 wooden shekels celebrates the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Jewish-American Hall of Fame. The obverse is identical to the 1968 issue except for the date. It features a chalice, as it appeared on silver shekels issued during the First Revolt of Judaea against the Romans from 66-70 A.D.

The reverse design features the back of the first Jewish-America Hall of Fame medal – quote by Rabbi Judah L. Magnes made to the students of Hebrew University: "SEEK TRUTH WITHOUT FEAR". The new wooden shekel is available for a contribution of \$2 each to the non-profit Jewish-American Hall of Fame, c/o Mel Wacks, 5189 Jeffdale Ave., Woodland Hills, CA 91364.

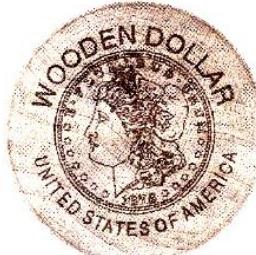




Vergudo Hills Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel marking their sponsorship of the ANA's World Fair of Money August 5-9, 2009. The design includes Garret Burke's design for the California state quarter or 2005. Attendees at the convention were given them free of charge. Those who would like to obtain one should send a self-addressed stamped envelope and \$1 to: Verdugo Hills Coin Club, PO Box 26, Tujunga, CA 91043.

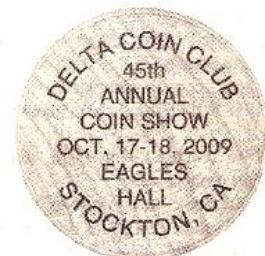


The Central Arkansas Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel "good for" a coffee or soda. The reverse features the 2009 birthplace cent on the reverse. It is printed in 4 colors. They are \$1 each or three for \$2 with a SASE. Send orders to: Tom Dodson, 6900 Skywood Road, Little Rock, AR 72207. Orders will include a log cabin error cent.

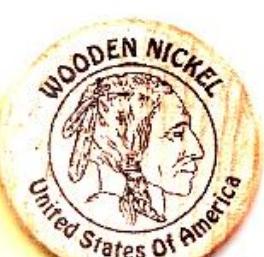


The Great River Regional Coin Club issued a wooden dollar for their annual autumn coin show held 9/13/09. Price of the wood is 40¢ each or five for \$2 from: GRRCC, PO Box 122, Sartell, MN 56366. The club is also selling older woods. Ask for a list.

The Alameda Coin Club celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in conjunction with their coin show on June 28, 2009. The woods are 50¢ each plus a SASE from: Tom Gesner, PO Box 99281, Emeryville, CA 94662.



Delta Coin Club issued a wooden nickel in conjunction with their 45<sup>th</sup> annual coin show on October 17-18, 2009. No price was mentioned. Order from: Delta Coin Club, PO Box 216, Victor, CA 95253-0216.



The Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for their 2009 coin show on November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. The "Indian" wooden nickel can be ordered for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to: Don Clifford, Charleston Coin Club, PO Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some prior year issued still remain. If interested request a listing.



The Milwaukee Numismatic Society has issued a wooden nickel for their 75<sup>th</sup> coin show held October 4, 2009 coin show. They can be ordered for 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING OCTOBER 31, 2009****ALL ARE 1½" OFFICIAL ROUNDS – MINIMUM BID \$0.50 PER ROUND**

1. AR/Helena, 1956, Centennial, 5¢, Green, Aug. 11, 1958  
 2. CT/Meriden, 1956, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Red, June 27, 1956  
 3. IN/Star City, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Black, July 1-4 1959  
 4. IA/Adaza, 1981, Cottonwood Adaza Centennial, 5¢, Black, Man  
 5. IA/Altoona, 1968, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Buffalo W/ Stars  
 6. IA/Aspinwall, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Wagon  
 7. IA/Auburn, 1987, Centennial, NV, Black, Tree  
 8. IA/Ayrshire, 1982, Village Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 9. IA/Bagley, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Charging Buffalo  
 10. IA/Blanchard, 1980, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 11. IA/Bolan, 1986, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief  
 12. IA/Bolan, 1986, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 13. IA/Brayton, 1978, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Buffalo  
 14. IA/Buck Grove, 1987, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Buffalo, City in Blue  
 15. IA/Buck Grove, 1987, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Buffalo, City in Red  
 16. IA/Carson, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo, Botna Valley Times  
 17. IA/Charter Oak, 1991, Centennial, NV, Black, Lucky Number  
 18. IA/Charter Oak, 1991, Centennial, NV, Black, Map  
 19. IA/Cooper, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Wagon  
 20. IA/Correctionville, 1980, 125 Years, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 21. IA/Cumberland, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars  
 22. IA/Cumming, 1988, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 23. IA/Des Moines, 1986, Iowa State Fair Centennial, NV, Black, 100 Years  
 24. IA/Des Moines, 1989, Iowa State Fair, NV, Black, Souvenir  
 25. IA/DeSoto, 1993, 125 Years, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars  
 26. IA/Donnan, 1978, Centennial & Old Timer's Picnic, 5¢, Black, Man  
 27. IA/Dows, 1980, Centennial, NV, Black, TUIT  
 28. IA/Dysart, 1973, Centennial, 5¢, Purple, July 1, 1973  
 29. IA/Early, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black, W/ Date  
 30. IA/Everly, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Standing Indian  
 31. IA/Fiscus, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian  
 32. IA/Fiscus, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 33. IA/Garner, 1970, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian  
 34. IA/Garwin, 1980, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Indian, Lorenzen and Beale  
 35. IA/George, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, W/ C of C  
 36. IA/Gray, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 37. IA/Grimes, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 38. IA/Halbur, 1983, Centennial, \$1.00, Blue, Wooden Dollar  
 39. IA/Harlan, 1979, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 40. IA/Ida Grove, 1978, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 41. IA/Independence, 1972, Quasquicentennial, NV, Black, 1847-1972  
 42. IA/Jolley, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 43. IA/Kellerton, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, Chief  
 44. IA/Keystone, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Genuine Indian  
 45. IA/Kingsley, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Standing Indian  
 46. IA/Kirkman, 1992, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 47. IA/Kiron, 1974, 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 48. IA/Lake Park, 1992, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 49. IA/Lohrville, 1981, Centennial, NV, Black, Buildings  
 50. IA/Lorimor, 1987, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 51. IA/Macksburg, 1976, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Brave  
 52. IA/Madrid, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, 11/16" Buffalo  
 53. IA/Miles, 1972, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 54. IA/Minden, 1975, Centennial, 7½¢, Blue, Joined Heads  
 55. IA/Mingo, 1984, Community Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 56. IA/Oakland, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 57. IA/Ocheyedan, 1991, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief  
 58. IA/Orient, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars  
 59. IA/Owasa, 1984, Centennial, NV, Black, Brave  
 60. IA/Pierson, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 61. IA/Pleasant Plain, 1986, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 62. IA/Polk City, 1975, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 63. IA/Radcliffe, 1980, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Buffalo  
 64. IA/Ricketts, ND, 1974, Good At, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/O Date  
 65. IA/Ruthven, 1984, Centennial, \$1.00, Black, Wooden Dollar  
 66. IA/Salix, 1993, Centennial, NV, Blue, Admit One  
 67. IA/Soldier, 1988, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 68. IA/State Center, 1967, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian  
 69. IA/Templeton, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon  
 70. IA/Thor, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Black/Red, Viking  
 71. IA/Thornton, 1985, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief  
 72. IA/Tingley, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 73. IA/Truro, 1984, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo  
 74. IA/Underwood, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 75. IA/Varina, 1975, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black, W/O State, Maneman's Grocery  
 76. IA/Vinton, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon 00  
 77. IA/Walker, 1973, Centennial, 5¢, Black, WALKER/JUNE/Walker  
 78. IA/Westphalia, ND, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Be Prepared  
 79. IA/Woodward, 1983, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars  
 80. IA/Woolstock, 1980, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave  
 81. KS/Wichita, 1970, Centennial, 5¢, Black, 1<sup>st</sup> (1876-1969)  
 82. KY/Hodgenville, ND, Lincoln's Boyhood Home, 5¢, Black, Brave W/ State  
 83. KY/Paducah, 1956, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief Paduke  
 84. PA/Middletown, 1985, Colonial Craft Fair, NV/ Black, Clock-Saul, Historical Society

All bids must be received by October 31, 2009. Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: [dluedtke8@wi.rr.com](mailto:dluedtke8@wi.rr.com)

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- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
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- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

They say that crap happens and I think I must be living in an outhouse full of it. The last month has seen trips for medical tests (not me, my brother needed a driver) and then 2 weeks ago my computer decided to terminate itself. The computer was a good one and had traveled with me on 16 trips to 12 countries and had been used literally thousands of times. I had used it to write reports, prepare newsletters, write letters, work on an update of the Guide Book and do a lot of research. Dead at the ripe old age of 8 years. RIP. In replacing it I at first bought a used computer at a discounted price. However, I couldn't connect to the internet to research stories for Bunyan's Chips so back to the dealer I went. I finally got a new computer 2 days ago. So, if you haven't received woods from the September mail bid now you'll know why. Maybe someday I'll learn to write letters again but it's so easy on a computer, not to mention the spell check feature, that I think I'll stick with my computer.

There is an article on page 3 of this month's Chips about Christmas woods. NOW is the time to order because this is the busy season for the printers.

I wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

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## EDITOR'S REPORT

I have my new computer and it works great. Maybe now I can catch up on letters that I have been sticking in stacks for too long. It dawned on me that when stacks of papers fall over they are trying to tell you something.

I hope to mail out the lots from the September mail bid to the winning bidders in the next day or two. As for the October mail bid, I would normally be mailing those out by the middle of November but I'll be in China so you'll have to wait a little bit longer.

Sometimes when I try to think of subjects for articles for Bunyan's Chips my brain goes dead. However, I was talking to several members and suddenly it dawned on me that the article was right in front of me. It is the membership. So, for the near future I will feature cities where you live and any official or semi-official woods that your cities issued. This will also give you a reason to look forward to your newsletter to see if your city is featured. If you have some information on your city that would help in an article, please feel free to pass it along. And, if your city hasn't issued any official or semi-official wooden nickels, it isn't too late to move. Hey, I'm just kidding.

We're still looking for member Stephen Harman of Princeton, WV. Stephen is a life member. If you know what happened to Stephen, let me know.

Happy hunting.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nothing new to report.

Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

*Maurina Boughton, Secretary*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – November, 2009

Checking Account		
Balance Forward		\$ 2153.40
Interest		0.39
Balance Forward		\$ 2153.79
Regular Savings		
Balance Forward		\$ 2621.90
Interest		1.01
Total Forward		\$ 2622.91
Life Membership		
Balance Forward		\$ 2591.37
Interest		0.99
Total Forward		\$ 2592.36

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## FAIRFIELD, NEBRASKA

**By: Darrell Luedtke**

Sometimes you wonder how towns are named and a couple months ago I had an article on Wyoit, Nebraska. In researching Nebraska I found out that when the Union Pacific Railroad was built from east to west across Nebraska, they named the first stop in the east with a letter starting with "A", the second with a letter starting with "B" and so on. This article is how Fairfield received its name.

Originally called "White Elm," the name "Frankfort" was chosen in 1872 to fulfill the "F" placement on the alphabetized line of stations the Union Pacific established between Alexandria and Hastings. However, since there was another town by that name, the name "Fairfield" was chosen for the man who surveyed it, George Washington Fairfield. Once boasting a population of 1,200, today it numbers between 400 and 550 inhabitants.

Located in the heart of an agricultural region, the farm economy effects community life immediately.

In 1997 Fairfield celebrated its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It has not issued a wooden nickel that I know about.

And now you know how many towns in Nebraska received their names.

## **Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year Woods**

**By Darrell Luedtke**

Avoid the rush and order your Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year woods now in order to receive them before the holidays. In addition, you can save this information to order woods at any time of the year.

Please contact any of the wood printers you wish, at once, in order to obtain their brochure showing designs, colors, shapes, sizes and price data on their woods, so that you can place your order as soon as possible. Mails are slow for packages and it takes time to print woods.

Round woods that are mailed should be protected by a thick piece of cardboard or a piece of a plastic "bubble" envelope or they may be broken by machines that process the mail. Flat woods need little protection and are rarely broken in the mail.

The bright metallic colors printed on woods, made from a thin foil paper on which the hot stamped process is used, are available from Canadian wood printers. The Old Time Wooden Nickel Company uses colored inks to print their woods.

You might want to order several hundred of the stock designs and then add your name and year to the woods now and in the future.

### **CANADA WIDE WOODS**

Canada Wide Woods, General Delivery, Gadshill, Ontario, Canada NOK 1J0, telephone (519) 271-3352 (Larry Walker) and (519) 273-1715 (Bill Cousins) offers round (1½" and 1¾") and flat (2" x 3½"), as well as woods in the shape of rabbits, hearts, country and teddy bears. Several different designs are available and flats are available in walnut/maple lamination and solid maple.

(In a recent update, Bill Cousins stated that due to major changes in recent exchange rates, the following prices can be reduced by 10%.) Prices for the rounds start at \$74 (printed on one side only) and increase up to \$85 (printed on two sides) for the 1½" rounds and \$78/\$90, respectively, for the 1¾". Flats are printed on only one side and start at \$85 (printed on one side, maple/walnut) and increase up to \$105 (printed on both sides, maple). The firm uses bright foil colors applied to the wood by the hot stamped process. Prices include design for one side only; add \$35 for additional design and die. The issuer chooses one foil color for the design and one foil color for his name, etc. All prices are for 100 woods and do not include shipping.

Their internet address is: [www.canadawidewoods.com.ca](http://www.canadawidewoods.com.ca).

### **NORMAN BELSTEN**

Norman Belsten, 86 Hamilton Drive, Newmarket, Ontario, Canada L3Y 3E8, telephone (905) 868-9187, email [nbelsten@sympatico.ca](mailto:nbelsten@sympatico.ca), offers several stock designs for 1½" and flat Christmas woods. Norm uses bright foil hot-stamped foil colors on maple wood and 10 colors are available. NOTE: Norman is backlogged on orders and is not accepting any for Christmas woods.

### **OLD TIME WOODEN NICKEL COMPANY**

The Wooden Nickel Company, P.O. Box 18362, San Antonio, Texas 78218-0362, two toll-free telephones (800) 750-9915 or (877) 464-2535 and fax (210) 832-8965, offers 33 stock designs including Christmas, Hanukkah, New Years and generic seasons greetings in their brochure for 1½" round woods. There is no charge for custom set-up of the sender's personal data on the reverse side.

Prices for custom reverse and stock obverse in the same color (black, blue, green or red) are as follows: 150/\$42.95, 300/\$59.60, 550/\$77.85 and 1,100/\$103.45 plus shipping charges which range between \$10 (150) and \$13 (1,100) additional. Visa, Master Card and Discover are accepted. All of the above prices are in US funds.

Their internet address is: [www.wooden-nickel.com](http://www.wooden-nickel.com). The internet site allows you to design and pay for the woods on-line at the time of ordering.

## FALMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS

By: Darrell Luedtke

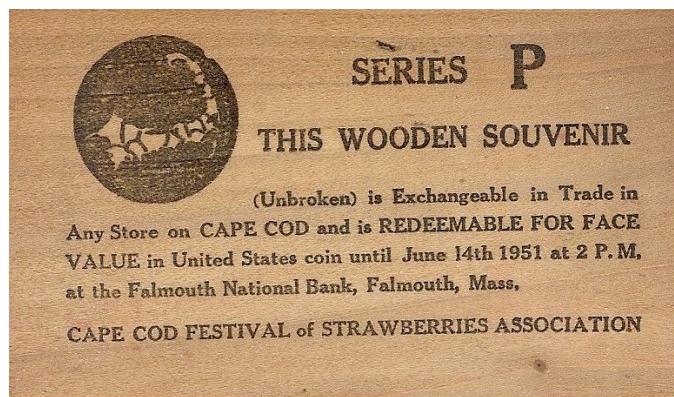
Falmouth was first settled by English colonists in 1660 and was officially incorporated in 1686, and named by Bartholomew Gosnold for Falmouth, Cornwall, England, his home port. Early principal activities were farming, salt works, whaling, shipping, and sheep. Sheep husbandry was very popular due to the introduction of Merino sheep and the beginnings of water-powered mills that could process the wool. In 1837, Falmouth averaged about 50 sheep per sq. mile.

Falmouth saw brief action in the War of 1812 when the area around Falmouth Heights, on its southern coast, was bombarded by several British frigates and ships of the line, and Massachusetts militia hastily entrenched themselves on the beaches to repulse a possible British landing which never came. By 1872 the train had come to Falmouth and Woods Hole and some of the first summer homes were established. By the late 1800s cranberries were being cultivated and strawberries were being raised for the Boston market. Large scale dairying was tried in the early 1900s in interior regions. After the improvement in highways, and thanks in part to the heavy use of neighboring Otis Air National Guard Base during WWII, population growth increased significantly. There were large home building booms in the 1970s followed by others in the 1980s and 1990s.

It is the birthplace in 1859 of Katherine Lee Bates, author, poet, and lyricist of *America the Beautiful*.

IOWMC wooden money collector Gerard Braithwaite lives in Falmouth.

Falmouth celebrated a Festival of Strawberries in 1951 by issuing a set of 21 official wooden nickel flats. Of these, a series of 7 were red in color and 5¢ denomination, another series of 7 were green in color and 10¢ denomination and a third series of 7 were black in color and 25¢ denomination. Each wood was imprinted on its reverse with a letter and, if you were lucky enough to complete your set, the series of 7 of each color would spell out "C – A – P – E – C – O – D". Some of these are extremely hard to find and I don't know of anyone who has completed their set of 21 woods. The "key" piece is the "D" in each series.



## ST. ALBANS, WEST VIRGINIA

By: Darrell Luedtke

Fort Tackett was built in 1786 on land that originally belonged to George Washington and deeded to him for his service in the French and Indian War. The community of Coalsmouth was established at present day St. Albans and became a lumber and railroad town. The Coal River that flows through St. Albans was discovered in 1742 by explorer John Salley and named for its vast outcropping of coal. He eventually paddled his canoe all the way to New Orleans and returned by ship to Virginia and wrote of his travels in his diary.

George Washington's greatnephew, Samuel Washington Jr., lived here for awhile and supposedly is buried in the Bangor Cemetery in town, although his tombstone is long gone. His father, Samuel Washington, who lived in the Poca area, is also buried at Bangor Cemetery. He inherited 3,500 acres near here as well as a famous battle sword from George Washington and Benjamin Franklin's gold-headed cane, which was presented to Congress in 1843 and can be seen at the Smithsonian.

St. Albans was originally laid out in 1816. Originally, it was known as Philippi, after Philip Thompson, an early settler, the name afterwards being changed to Coalsmouth due to its location at the mouth of the Coal River. For a while it was known as the Village of Jefferson before being incorporated as Kanawha City in 1868. The town was renamed 1872 by H.C. Parsons of the C & O Railroad in honor of his birthplace in St. Albans, Vermont. St. Alban is believed to have been the first British Christian martyr.

The famous James River & Kanawha Turnpike passed through St. Albans and many Inns were established and a covered bridge once crossed the Coal River, but was burnt during the Confederates retreat during the Civil War in 1861 following the Battle of Scary Creek, a few miles down river. Eleven locks and dams were constructed on the Coal River in 1855 and continued until after the Civil War.

The town became prosperous in the early 1900's due to the numerous saw mills in the town and the shipping of coal on the railroads.

St. Albans has eleven (11) sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places and their Historical Society frequently conducts historic walking tours. Main St. was recently added as an Historic District. The Archaeological site along the Kanawha River is one of the oldest in the United States and artifacts have been dated to 7,900 BC.

Today St. Albans is a city in Kanawha County, West Virginia, at the confluence of the Kanawha and Coal Rivers. The population was 11,567 at the 2000 census but, according to Census Bureau estimates, it had fallen to 11,028 by 2006.

IOWMC wooden money collector Donald Clifford lives in St. Albans.

St. Albans has issued wooden nickels several times. In 1971 it celebrated its centennial by issuing a black 5¢ wood. In 1975 it celebrated a town fair by issuing a black 5¢ wood. In 1976 it celebrated a town fair by issuing a black 5¢ wood that has a multi-color buffalo on the obverse.



## CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

By: Darrell Luedtke

Born as a Spanish land grant on the Mississippi River on January 4, 1793, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, has evolved from a tiny trading post to a frontier settlement governed by a French-Canadian commandant to a thriving, culturally-rich community of 37,000 residents on the world's only inland cape.

It was about 1733 that an adventuresome French soldier, Jean D. Girardot, established a trading post in a remote region population by more than 20 Native American tribes. Girardot chose a promontory rock overlooking the Mississippi River as the site for his trading post. Trappers and river travelers soon discovered this welcome bit of civilization carved out of the vast forest that one day would become Missouri. They called the place "Cape Girardot."

Girardot, a frontiersman and trader at heart, eventually moved on. The man credited with founding Cape Girardeau, French-Canadian Louis Lorimier, came to the area from Ohio in 1793, commissioned by the Spanish Governor General to establish a military post from which to trade and interact with the Native Americans. From his "Red House" on the site of Old St. Vincent's Church, Lorimier also served as the city's first ambassador. He welcomed many settlers and even Lewis and Clark on their way to St. Louis for their journey into the unknown west.

Under Lorimier's intelligent government and continuing promotion, the settlement thrived. Although Lorimier -- or some of his companions -- named the post "Lorimont," the name "Cape Girardot" (later modified to "Girardeau") already had gained popular acceptance among the region's small population.

The Louisiana Purchase in 1803, easily the greatest discount sale in history, brought the Missouri region into American possession at the cost of 2 cents per acre. As a result, Louis Lorimier donated four acres for the establishment of a seat of justice. In 1806, the city was platted and in 1808 was incorporated into a town.

With the arrival of the steamboat in 1835, Cape Girardeau became a river boom town. It was the busiest port between St. Louis and Memphis. Until the Civil War, the Riverfront bustled with activity as a commercial center and as an inviting port of debarkation for steamboat passengers.

During the Civil War, Cape Girardeau was occupied by Union forces who built four forts to protect the city and river. For a brief period in 1863, General Ulysses S. Grant set up headquarters in Cape Girardeau before moving his headquarters to Cairo, Illinois.

The post-Civil War years brought continued growth: the establishment of public education in 1867, the introduction of rail service, and advances in agriculture and industry. In 1873, a teaching university was founded in Cape Girardeau that is now Southeast Missouri State University. The university now provides higher education for more than 8,000 students in all disciplines.

Today, Cape Girardeau is a regional hub for education, commerce, and medical care. Although the city's population is around 37,000 people, it is estimated that as many as 90,000 come to Cape Girardeau daily to work, shop, go to school, or visit the many doctors' offices or two hospitals. In addition, the Bill Emerson Memorial Bridge, which was officially opened in December 2003, carries 26,000 cars in and out of Cape Girardeau every day.

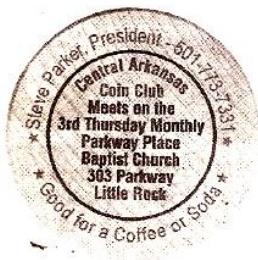
IOWMC wooden money collector Norman Fletcher lives in Cape Girardeau.

Cape Girardeau celebrated its sesquicentennial in 1956 by issuing a set of 3 official wooden nickels which included a 5¢ black, 7½¢ red and 10¢ green.





Vergudo Hills Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel marking their sponsorship of the ANA's World Fair of Money August 5-9, 2009. The design includes Garret Burke's design for the California state quarter or 2005. Attendees at the convention were given them free of charge. Those who would like to obtain one should send a self-addressed stamped envelope and \$1 to: Verdugo Hills Coin Club, PO Box 26, Tujunga, CA 91043.



The Central Arkansas Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel "good for" a coffee or soda. The reverse features the 2009 birthplace cent on the reverse. It is printed in 4 colors. They are \$1 each or three for \$2 with a SASE. Send orders to: Tom Dodson, 6900 Skywood Road, Little Rock, AR 72207. Orders will include a log cabin error cent.

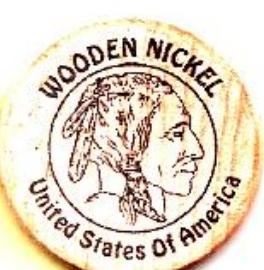


The Great River Regional Coin Club issued a wooden dollar for their annual autumn coin show held 9/13/09. Price of the wood is 40¢ each or five for \$2 from: GRRCC, PO Box 122, Sartell, MN 56366. The club is also selling older woods. Ask for a list.

The Alameda Coin Club celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in conjunction with their coin show on June 28, 2009. The woods are 50¢ each plus a SASE from: Tom Gesner, PO Box 99281, Emeryville, CA 94662.



Delta Coin Club issued a wooden nickel in conjunction with their 45<sup>th</sup> annual coin show on October 17-18, 2009. No price was mentioned. Order from: Delta Coin Club, PO Box 216, Victor, CA 95253-0216.



The Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for their 2009 coin show on November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. The "Indian" wooden nickel can be ordered for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to: Don Clifford, Charleston Coin Club, PO Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some prior year issued still remain. If interested request a listing.



The Milwaukee Numismatic Society has issued a wooden nickel for their 75<sup>th</sup> coin show held October 4, 2009 coin show. They can be ordered for 25¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

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**ILLINOIS – All are official round woods**

1. Monee, 1974, Centennial (Set of 2)
2. Morrison, 1955, Centennial (Set of 9)
3. Morrison, ND, Downtown, 5¢, Black, Brave
4. Mound City, 1954, Centennial (Set of 12)
5. Mt. Olive, 1965, Centennial (Set of 2)
6. Mt. Pulaski, 1961, Sil-Tennial + 125<sup>th</sup> (Set of 2)
7. Mundelein, 1959, 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Man
8. Normal, 1968, Illinois Sesquicentennial (Set of 2)
9. Oak Lawn, 1982, Centennial, 5¢, Black
10. Odell, 2004, Sesquicentennial (Set of 2)
11. Odin 1960, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Man
12. Okawville, 1963, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Set of 4)
13. Okawville, 1988, Wheat Festival, 10¢, Black
14. Onarga, 2004, Sesquicentennial, NV, Black
15. Orangeville, 1967, Centennial (Set of 3)
16. Orangeville, 1976, Bicentennial, 5¢, Blue, Buffalo W/ Stars
17. Oreanna, 1973, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
18. Oregon, ND(1998), Building the Future, NV, Green
19. Oswego, 1958, 125<sup>th</sup>, 5¢, Red
20. Ottawa, 1953, Centennial (Set of 2)
21. Palmyra, 1955, Centennial (Set of 4)
22. Patoka, 2004, Sesquicentennial, NV, Black
23. Pecatonica, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief
24. Peotone, 1956, Centennial, 5¢, Black
25. Peru, 1985, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, NV, Black
26. Pinckneyville, 1956, Perry County Fair Centennial (Set of 4)
27. Pleasant Hill, 1986, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
28. Polo, 1957, Centennial (Set of 2)
29. Prophetstown, 1959, Centennial (Set of 2)
30. Prophetstown, 1984, 125<sup>th</sup>, 5¢, Black, Standing Indian
31. Quincy, ND(1955), Quinsippi Celebration (Set of 2)
32. Quincy, 1956, Quinsippi Celebration (Set of 4)
33. Riverside, 1981, Village Fair, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
34. Roanoke, 1974, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Mine
35. Roberts, 1972, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
36. Rock Falls, ND, Rock Falls Days, NV, Black
37. Rockford, 1970, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black
38. Round Lake, 1983, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Brave
39. St. Charles, 1959, Annual Sidewalk Sale, 5¢, Black
40. Ste. Marie, ND(1987), Sesquicentennial (Set of 2)
41. Sandoval, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Man
42. Sandwich, 1959, Centennial (Set of 2)
43. Sandwich, 1987, Centennial Fair, 5¢, Black, Buffalo

44. Saybrook, 1975, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
45. Shannon, 1960, Centennial, 5¢, Black
46. Sheldon, 1959, Centennial (Set of 3)
47. Smithton, ND, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
48. Somonauk, 1976, USA Bicentennial, 5¢, Red, Brave
49. Springfield, 1957, Capitennial (Set of 3)
50. Springfield, 1959, Lincoln Sesquicentennial (Set of 6)
51. Springfield, 1968, Illinois Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
52. Springfield, 1970, Illinois State Fair (Set of 2)
53. Springfield, 1971, Illinois State Fair, 5¢, Green, Small Indian
54. Springfield, 1972, Illinois State Fair, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
55. Springfield, 1995, 19<sup>th</sup> Century Children's Festival, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
56. Spring Valley, 1986, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
57. Staunton, 1959, Centennial (Set of 3)
58. Stewardson, 1974, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Standing Indian
59. Sycamore, 1958, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Chief
60. Sycamore, 1983, 125<sup>th</sup>, 10 Bits, Green, 2"
61. Tampico, 1975, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
62. Teutopolis, 1976, USA Bicentennial, NV, Black, Teutopolis Area
63. Thebes, 2006, Historic Courthouse Grand Re-Opening Memorial Day, 5¢, Black
64. Tremont, 1960, 125<sup>th</sup> Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Man
65. Trenton, 1955, Centennial (Set of 5)
66. Union County, 1968, County and Illinois Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
67. Villa Park, 1965, Jubilee (Set of 2)
68. Virden, 1957 (Set of 2)
69. Virden, 2002, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
70. Virginia, 1961, Cenquadennial, 5¢, Black, Small Chief
71. Walnut, 1972, Centennial, 10¢, Black, Small Chief
72. Warren, 1960, Fair Centennial, 5¢, Black, Chief
73. Warren, 1973, C of C Punkin Fest, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
74. Washington County, 1993, 175 Years, NV/Green
75. Waterloo, 1976, Bicentennial (Set of 2)
76. Waterman, 1977, Centennial (Set of 2)
77. Waukegan, 1959, Centennial (Set of 3)
78. Wayne City, 1989, Bean Days, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
79. Wenona, 1953, Centennial (Set of 6)
80. Wheaton, 1959, Centennial (Set of 2)
81. White Hall, 1982, Illinois Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Green/Brown, Buffalo
82. White Hall, 2005, Civil War Days, 5¢, Green, Buffalo
83. Williamson County, 1989, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
84. Willow Springs, ND(2001), Summerfest Sunday, NV, Black/Blank
85. Windsor, 1956, Centennial, 5¢, Black
86. Wood River Township, 1957, Golden Anniversary, 5¢, Black
87. Woodson, ND(1959), 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Blue, Chief
88. Zurich, 1965, Township Centennial, 5¢, Green

All bids must be received by November 30, 2009. Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: [dluedtke8@wi.rr.com](mailto:dluedtke8@wi.rr.com)

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
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- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



# BUNYAN'S CHIPS

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## PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

On behalf of all the officers and members of IOWMC I wish you a Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year. May you have health and happiness in the New Year.

As we approach the 2010 we enter our 46<sup>th</sup> year as an organization. We can thank all those great collectors of the past who had the foresight to organize this great organization. Emil DiBella was probably the first to put wooden money on the map with his "Guide to Wooden Money" that was printed in 1958, followed by Tom Hudson's "Guide Book of Wooden Money" in 1966. The earliest charter members included Emil as well as Wendell Morningstar, Tom Hudson, Clarence Kramer, Ann Baxter, Jack Gladfelter, Gelvin Leeper, Tex Ryder and many others who have since passed away. From our earliest beginnings with 232 charter members, we continue to flourish and it is a time to celebrate those charter members that are still with us: William Baab, Gerard Braithwaite, Michael Crawford, William Forsyth, John Grimes, Gerald Hathaway, Ronald Willadsen and Al Zaika. Many of our members have had health problems over the past year and our prayers are with you for a better new year.

Over the years there have been many books written on wooden money. Among them are the Guide of Wooden Money, Guide Book of Wooden Money, Arizona Wooden Money and Commemorative Issues, Birthday Tokens of Iowa Towns and Counties, Canadian Wooden Money, Coffee Anyone, Michigan Official Wooden Money, New York State Flat Wooden Money, The Encyclopedia of Wooden Money, A Picture Guide Book of the Dairy Queen Wooden Tokens and the Picture Guide Book to Wooden Money of the State of Washington. Now that I have a great assistant I am making great progress on the latest issue of the updated Guide Book of Wooden Money and this nearly 400 page edition should be available in early 2010.

Again, happy holidays to everyone.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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## EDITOR'S REPORT

I just received a note from Michael Turrini that Gordon Donnell has relocated to the Veteran's Hospital in Martinez, California. His new address is: Gordon R. Donnell, VA Martinez, Shasta Unit Room 123A, 150 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 95603-4668.

November was a busy month for me personally and I am glad to be back home and putting out the latest issue of Bunyan's Chips. November saw me in China for almost 2 weeks where I teamed up with 7 retired FDA food experts to put on a food safety conference in Jinan, Shandong Province. The trip also included tours of the Forbidden City and the Great Wall. I was honored to be among the chosen few to teach food safety to over 500 who attended the conference and, hopefully, their foods that are exported to the USA and Canada will be safer in the future.

Everywhere I travel I take along wooden nickels and give them out to promote the collection of wooden money. In China I had over 500 wooden nickels to pass out and they were quickly and eagerly grabbed by everyone at the conference. When I told them that my collection included many Chinese wooden bank notes I was met with skepticism until I showed them some. Who knows, maybe in the future we'll have our first member from China.

I want to take time in this, the last issue of 2009, to thank everyone for their kind words and support for my literary efforts during this past year. It has been you, the members, who have been my inspiration to continue as editor. You have given me ideas for articles. Just give me an idea and I will write an article.

Collecting wooden money is a great way to enrich your life. No other collecting area has such a rich history to it. Have you ever wondered why a wooden nickel was issued? Every wooden nickel has a story behind it and this question is in the back of my mind every time I write an article for Bunyan's Chips.

We lost another member, Leon Reino. He was previously listed in Ocean City, New Jersey but his last Bunyan's Chips was returned with the note that he had moved. We're still looking for member Stephen Harman of Princeton, WV. Stephen is a life member. If you know what happened to Stephen, let me know.

It's that time of the year again so please remember to pay your dues. Your "paid through" date is on your mailing label. For your dues you receive 11 issues of Bunyan's Chips, notifications of new wooden money issues, free "want" and "for sale" advertisements, and up-to-date information on what's happening in the hobby.

Happy holidays and Happy New Year.

*Darrell Luedtke, Editor*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

It time to send in your dues for 2010. Your "paid through" date is on your mailing label. Dues are \$7.50 for regular and associate members, \$4.00 for junior members and \$100 for life members. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy and memorable holiday season.

Your Secretary,  
*Maurina Boughton*

## TREASURER'S REPORT – November, 2009

Checking Account	
Balance Forward	\$ 2153.79
Dues	7.50
Interest	1.26
Balance Forward	\$ 2161.81
Regular Savings	
Balance Forward	\$ 2622.91
Interest	1.26
Total Forward	\$ 2624.17

Life Membership	
Balance Forward	\$ 2592.36
Interest	1.24
Total Forward	\$ 2593.60

*Del Cushing, Treasurer*

## XENIA, OHIO

By: Darrell Luedtke

The City if Xenia (pronounced Zeen-yuh) derives its name from the Greek word for hospitality. It is the county seat of Greene County, named for Nathaniel Greene, the revolutionary hero who led Cornwallis into the trap at Yorktown.

Xenia was founded in 1803 - the year Ohio was admitted into the Union. In that year, Pioneer John Paul bought 2,000 acres of land from Thomas and Elizabeth Richardson of Hanover County, Virginia, for "1050 pounds current moneys of Virginia." Paul influenced county commissioners to locate the town seat on this acreage at the forks of the Shawnee Creeks.

Joseph C. Vance was named to survey the site and lay out the town. The following year, he bought the town site of 257 acres from John Paul for \$250. The name of the new village was chosen in typically democratic fashion. Vance called a town meeting to discuss possible names. The committee had considered several suggestions without reaching any decision. Then the Rev. Robert Armstrong proposed the name "Xenia", meaning hospitality in Greek, because of the fine hospitality extended to him in this friendly community. When a tie developed, Laticia Davis, wife of Owen Davis, was invited to cast the deciding ballot. She plunked for "Xenia".

The very first session of Ohio's General Assembly created Greene County from the Northwest Territory, embracing the homeland of the Shawnee Indians. Their chief tribal village was north of Xenia at old Chillicothe, now called Old Town.

William Beattie was Xenia's first businessman. In 1804, he opened a tavern that became a center of community affairs. Also in 1804, John Marshall built Xenia's first home. The first log school house was constructed in 1805, and that same year, Rev. James Towler became the town's first postmaster. The growing community soon attracted many pioneer industries - flour mills, sawmills, woolen mills, pork packing plants, oil mills, and tow mills.

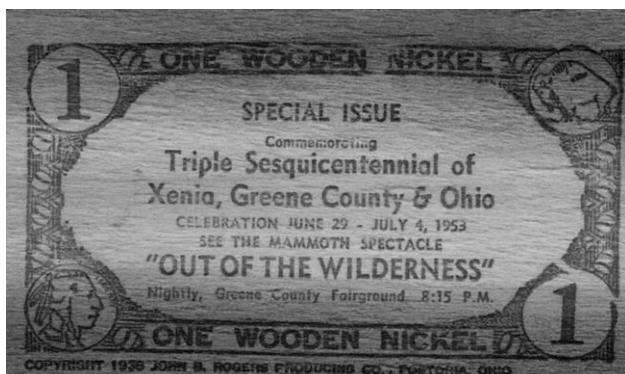
Xenia was incorporated by an act of the legislature in 1817 and became a city in 1834. But it was the arrival of the Little Miami Railroad (now the site of the Little Miami Scenic Trail) in 1843 that gave the city its first big industrial impetus.

The town progressed rapidly during the middle nineteenth century. Artificial gas was provided in the 1840's and continued in use until natural gas was made available in 1905. The first fire engine house was built in 1831; the telephone came to Xenia in 1879; electricity in 1881; and a water works system in 1886. Xenia opened its first free public library in 1899. By 1900 the city was operating its own sewage system.

A tornado on April 3, 1974, killed 33, destroyed almost half of the city's buildings and made 10,000 homeless. Nine schools, nine churches, and 180 businesses perished, but the city still had the courage to bounce back and make Xenia what it is today.

William Baab, charter member and 3<sup>rd</sup> president of IOWMC from 1966 to 1967 lives in Xenia.

Xenia celebrated in 1953 by issuing a set of 3 official wooden flats that celebrated the triple sesquicentennial of Xenia, Greene County and the State of Ohio.



## WOMELSDORF, PENNSYLVANIA

**By: Darrell Luedtke**

The Womelsdorf region of Berks County, Pennsylvania was inhabited in 1723-29 as groups of German settlers arrived from the Schoharie Region of New York State. These immigrants had previously been granted asylum in England from their war-torn homeland in Germany. They were later brought to America as indentured workers to produce 'pitch' from New York pine forests for sealing the hulls of ships of the English fleet. This region is known as the Tulpehocken, a name derived from the native Indian language meaning 'Land of Turtles', and given by them to the area.

About 1732, other Germans, including Conrad Weiser, came to western Berks from New York and settled near Tulpehocken in the vicinity of Womelsdorf. Conrad Weiser's historical contributions to Pennsylvania simply cannot be overlooked. Weiser was predominantly responsible for negotiating every major treaty between the colonial settlers in Pennsylvania and the Iroquois Nations from 1731 until 1758. Conrad Weiser was an adopted son of the Mohawk Nation. Says Hale Sipe, a historian of Pennsylvania of this remarkable man: "When he was seventeen years old, young Weiser went to live with Quagnant, a prominent Iroquois chief, who, taking a great fancy to Conrad, requested the father that the young man might dwell with him for a time. He remained with the Iroquois chief for eight months, learning the Indian language and customs thoroughly. It is said that while on a hunting trip he met the great Iroquois chief Shikellamy, the Vice-Gerent of the Six Nations, who was well pleased with Weiser on account of his being able to speak the Iroquois tongue, and they became fast friends. Weiser became in time the official interpreter for the Six Nations in practically all of their dealings with the white people. While visiting his old home near Womelsdorf, he died July 13, 1760, much lamented by the Colony of Pennsylvania as well as by the Indians. Said a great Iroquois chieftain, commenting on the death of Weiser, 'We are at a loss and sit in darkness.' If all white men had been as just to the Indians as was this sturdy German, the history of the advance of civilization in America undoubtedly would not contain so many bloody chapters. Conrad Weiser's home is still standing, and in the orchard above the house, rests all that is mortal of this distinguished frontiersman; while beside him are the graves of several Indian chiefs. Having loved him in life, they wished to repose beside him in death. A beautiful monument has been erected to his memory in the "Conrad Weiser Memorial Park," near Womelsdorf, having thereon the words which George Washington uttered concerning him, while standing at his grave, in 1793: "Posterity will not forget his services." His Mohawk name meant, "Holder of the Heavens," a very sacred Mohawk name.

The town was laid-out by John Womelsdorf in 1762 and originally named Middle Town. The name was changed to Womelsdorf in 1774 and incorporated as a Borough in 1833 with a population of 750.

John Grimes, charter and life member of IOWMC lives in Womelsdorf.

Womelsdorf celebrated the bicentennial of its founding with the issuance of a set of 5 wooden nickels (black, blue, green, red and purple) in 1962. In 1976 they also celebrated our nation's bicentennial by issuing a set of 4 wooden nickels.



## NIAGARA & NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

By: Darrell Luedtke

The history of the Town of Niagara, City of Niagara Falls and Niagara County are inexplicably tied to Niagara Falls.

The Niagara River, as is the entire Great Lakes Basin of which the river is an integral part, is a legacy of the last Ice Age. 18,000 years ago southern Ontario was covered by ice sheets 2-3 kilometers thick. As they advanced southward the ice sheets gouged out the basins of the Great Lakes. Then as they melted northward for the last time they released vast quantities of meltwater into these basins.

The Niagara Peninsula became free of the ice about 12,500 years ago. As the ice retreated northward, its meltwaters began to flow down through what became Lake Erie, the Niagara River and Lake Ontario, down to the St. Lawrence River, and, finally, down to the sea. There were originally 5 spillways from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario. Eventually these were reduced to one, the original Niagara Falls, at Queenston-Lewiston. From here the Falls began its steady erosion through the bedrock.

However, about 10,500 years ago, through an interplay of geological effects including alternating retreats and re-advances of the ice, and rebounding of the land when released from the intense pressure of the ice, this process was interrupted. The glacial meltwaters were rerouted through northern Ontario, bypassing the southern route. For the next 5,000 years Lake Erie remained only half the size of today, the Niagara River was reduced to about 10% of its current flow.

About 5,500 years ago the meltwaters were once again routed through southern Ontario, restoring the river and Falls to their full power. Then the Falls reached the Whirlpool.

It was a brief and violent encounter, a geological moment lasting only weeks, maybe even only days. In this moment the Falls of the youthful Niagara River intersected an old riverbed, one that had been buried and sealed during the last Ice Age. The Falls turned into this buried gorge, tore out the glacial debris that filled it, and scoured the old river bottom clean. It was probably not a falls at all now but a huge, churning rapids. When it was all over it left behind a 90-degree turn in the river we know today as the Whirlpool. The Falls then re-established at about the area of the Whirlpool Rapids Bridge upriver to our right, and resumed carving its way through solid rock to its present location.

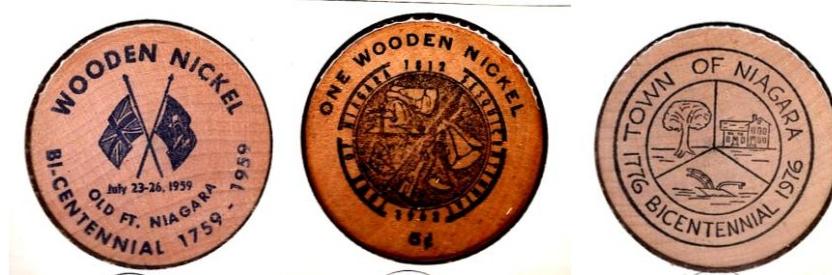
The French established the first post here, Fort Conti, in 1679. Its successor, Fort Denonville (1687-88) was equally short lived. In 1726 France finally erected a permanent fortification with the construction of the impressive "French Castle." Britain gained control of Fort Niagara in 1759, during the French & Indian War, after a nineteen-day seige. The British held the post throughout the American Revolution but were forced, by treaty, to yield it to the United States in 1796. Fort Niagara was recaptured by the British in 1813. It was ceded to the United States a second time in 1815 at the end of the War of 1812.

Niagara County was established in 1808 and incorporated in 1865. Niagara County celebrated the bicentennial of Old Fort by issuing a set of 3 wooden nickels (blue, red and brown) in 1959.

The City of Niagara Falls was incorporated on March 17, 1892. Historically, the city was built around factories that utilized the power of the falling water for energy.

Adjacent to the eastern border of the city of Niagara Falls lies the Town of Niagara. It was founded in 1812 and originally known as the Town of Schlosser. The Town of Niagara celebrated the sesquicentennial of its founding by issuing a set of 4 wooden nickels (black, blue, green and red) in 1962. In 1976 they also celebrated our nation's bicentennial by issuing a single wooden nickel with the Liberty Bell on it.

Gerald Hathaway, charter and life member of IOWMC, lives in Niagara Falls.



## LITTLE KNOWN TIDBIT OF NAVAL HISTORY...

This may not be related to wooden money, but I just had to share it.

The U. S. S. Constitution (Old Ironsides), as a combat vessel, carried 48,600 gallons of fresh water for her crew of 475 officers and men. This was sufficient to last six months of sustained operations at sea. She carried no evaporators (i.e. fresh water distillers). However, let it be noted that according to her ship's log, "On July 27, 1798, the U.S.S. Constitution sailed from Boston with a full complement of 475 officers and men, 48,600 gallons of fresh water, 7,400 cannon shot, 11,600 pounds of black powder and 79,400 gallons of rum." Her mission: "To destroy and harass English shipping."

Making Jamaica on October 6<sup>th</sup>, she took on 826 pounds of flour and 68,300 gallons of rum.

Then she headed for the Azores, arriving there November 12<sup>th</sup>. She provisioned with 550 pounds of beef and 64,300 gallons of Portuguese wine.

On November 18<sup>th</sup>, she set sail for England. In the ensuing days she defeated five British men-of-war and captured and scuttled 12 English merchant ships, salvaging only the rum aboard each.

By January 26, 1799, her powder and shot were exhausted. Nevertheless, although unarmed she made a night raid up the Firth of Clyde in Scotland. Her landing party captured a whisky distillery and transferred 40,000 gallons of single malt Scotch aboard by dawn. Then she headed home.

The U. S. S. Constitution arrived in Boston on February 20, 1799, with no cannon shot, no food, no powder, no rum, no wine, no whisky, and 38,600 gallons of water.

GO NAVY

## BECAUSE IT'S CHRISTMAS

Ole and Sven had really 'packed on the pounds' by overeating during Christmas and the New Year's Holidays, so their doctor put them on the same diet. 'I want you to eat regularly for 2 days, then skip a day, and repeat this procedure for 2 weeks. The next time I see you, you should have lost at least 5 pounds.'

When the Norwegians returned, they shocked their doctor by having lost nearly 25 POUNDS each. 'Why, that's positively amazing!' the doctor said, 'Did you follow my instructions?'

Then Ole and Sven nodded and said....'We vant to tell you though, we taut we was gonna drop dead dat 3rd day.'

'From hunger, you mean?'

'No, yust from all dat skippin!'

You know you're probably a redneck if your grandmother has "ammo" on her Christmas list and your town put the new garbage truck in the Christmas parade.

Men are never depressed at Christmas because they can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes.

Christmas - What other time of the year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?

On a string of Chinese-made Christmas lights: FOR INDOOR OR OUTDOOR USE ONLY.

"Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen."

May we all remember Christ, who is the reason for the season, and the true Christmas spirit this year and always.

## WOODS WANTED

\$10.00 for each of the following woods + postage reimbursement.

Parkersburg, WV Coin Club 1966 mint set (rounds)  
 Lebanon, PA 1940 Bicentennial 5¢ black (flat)  
 Louisville, KY Bicentennial Sambo, red & blue (round)  
 Hazel Dell, WA Bicentennial Sambo, red & blue (round)  
 Monterey, CA Samba black, Boy eating pancakes, no tiger  
 Adak, Ak Bicentennial (round)  
 Petersburg, Ak 1967 Centennial Large 8 sided flat with Salmon on obverse.

These woods must arrive unbroken and must be problem-free (not broken, repaired, cracked, taped, written on or dirty. I reserve the right to reject any woods sent if they do not meet my standards. Send to Bob Brown, PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034.

## WOODS FOR SALE

Selling 100 different wooden nickels for \$25.00 including postage. Charles Alber, 6453 E. Edna Mills Dr., Camby, IN 46113-9699

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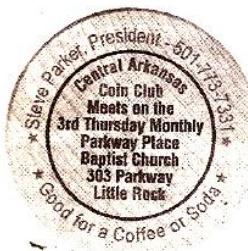
Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio commons + legion and drink wooden nickels. Charles Alber, 6453 E. Edna Mills Dr., Camby, IN 46113-9699.

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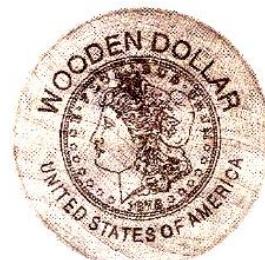
Commons: AL, HI, LA, NJ, NY, PA. 5 cents each plus postage. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.



Verdugo Hills Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel marking their sponsorship of the ANA's World Fair of Money August 5-9, 2009. The design includes Garret Burke's design for the California state quarter of 2005. Attendees at the convention were given them free of charge. Those who would like to obtain one should send a self-addressed stamped envelope and \$1 to: Verdugo Hills Coin Club, PO Box 26, Tujunga, CA 91043.



The Central Arkansas Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel "good for" a coffee or soda. The reverse features the 2009 birthplace cent on the reverse. It is printed in 4 colors. They are \$1 each or three for \$2 with a SASE. Send orders to: Tom Dodson, 6900 Skywood Road, Little Rock, AR 72207. Orders will include a log cabin error cent.



The Great River Regional Coin Club issued a wooden dollar for their annual autumn coin show held 9/13/09. Price of the wood is 40¢ each or five for \$2 from: GRRCC, PO Box 122, Sartell, MN 56366. The club is also selling older woods. Ask for a list.



Jefferson, South Dakota celebrated the sesquicentennial of its founding by issuing a green official wooden nickel in 2009. They are available for \$1.00 plus postage from Ken Paulsen, PO Box 142327, Overland, MO 63114-0327.



The Charleston Coin Club has issued a wooden nickel for their 2009 coin show on November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. The "Indian" wooden nickel can be ordered for 50¢ each plus a SASE. Send orders to: Don Clifford, Charleston Coin Club, PO Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177. Some prior year issued still remain. If interested request a listing.

**THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING DECEMBER 31, 2009**

**Minimum bid for each official round is 50¢ – buyer pays postage**

**MISSOURI – All are official round woods unless otherwise noted**

1. Alma, 1978, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
2. Altenburg, 1969, East Perry Fair – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Blue, Brave
3. Andrew County, 1991, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
4. Appleton City, 1969, Fair, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
5. Appleton City, 1970, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Standing Indian
6. Appleton City, 1971, Fair, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
7. Appleton City, 1976, Fair & USA Bicentennial, NV, Black, Spirit of '76
8. Atlanta, 1958, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
9. Augusta (Town), 2005, Sesquicentennial, NV, Purple, June 17-19
10. Belton, 1972, 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Blue, Brave
11. Bismarck, 1993, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Back, Large Indian
12. Boonville, 1940, Daniel Boone Days, 5¢, Black, Sept. 18, 1940, 2"
13. Boonville, 1976, Thespian Hall, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
14. Boonville, 1989, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
15. Brazito, 1976, Bicentennial, 5¢, Black, Lg. House W/ Hole
16. Bronaugh, 1986, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
17. Buckner, 1975, Centennial, NV, Blue, First State Bank
18. Bunceton, 1968, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
19. Bunceton, 1993, Quasquicentennial, Set of 2
20. Callao, 1958, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
21. Callaway County, 1995, Battle of Moore's Mill, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
22. Cape Girardeau, 1956, Sesquicentennial, Set of 3
23. Carter County, 1959, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Man
24. Carthage, 1961, Jamboree, Set of 3
25. Caruthersville, 1957, Centennial, 5¢, Red, Chief
26. Cassville, 1995, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
27. Centralia, 1957, Centennial, Set of 2
28. Clinton, 1986, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
29. Concordia, 1960, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Stage Coach
30. Craig, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
31. Douglas County, 2007, Sesquicentennial, NV, Brown, 150 Years
32. El Dorado Springs, 1981, Centennial, NV, Black, Gazebo
33. Eminence, 1968, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
34. Ethel, 1967, Harvest Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
35. Ethel, 1988, Centennial, Set of 2
36. Fairfax, 1981, Centennial, 5¢, Green, Buffalo
37. Fairport, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
38. Fayette, 1960, Sesquicentennial, 10¢, Black, Buffalo
39. Fayette Area, ND(1960), Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Brown, Chief
40. Festus, 1987, Centennial, NV, Blue/Red, Kick-Off Parade
41. Florissant, 1957, Centennial, 5¢, Blue, June 15, 1957
42. Florissant, 1971, Valley of Flowers, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
43. Florissant, 1973, Valley of Flowers, 5¢, Black, Buffalo

44. Fredericktown, (ND), Rendezvous, 5¢, Black, Brave
45. Glasgow, 1961, 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 5¢, Black, Wagon
46. Greenwich, (ND), 75<sup>th</sup>, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
47. Grundy County (Trenton), 1991, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
48. Hamilton, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
49. Hamilton, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
50. Hamilton, 1955, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/Stars
51. Hannibal, 1969, Founding Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
52. Hannibal (City not on wood), ND, 1992, National Tom Sawyer Days, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
53. Hannibal, ND, Souvenir, NV, Black, Mark Twain
54. Hermann, (ND), Mai Fest, 5¢, Black, Brave
55. Higginsville, 1969, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Brave (semi-official)
56. Howell County (West Plains), (ND), County Fair, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
57. Howell County (West Plains), (ND), County Fair, 5¢, Green, Buffalo
58. Kirkwood, 1999, Area Chamber 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Show, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
59. La Belle, 1997, 125 Years, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
60. La Monte, 1966, Centennial, Set of 2
61. La Monte, 1966, Centennial, \$1.00, Black, Wooden Dollar, 2"
62. La Plata, 1977, 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Soya Bean Festival, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
63. La Plata, 1994, 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Soya Bean Festival, NV, Black, TUIT
64. Lawson, 1971, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Wagon
65. Lee's Summit, 1965, Centennial, 5¢, Black, June 5, 1965
66. Lewistown, 1996, 125 Years, 5¢, Black, Buffalo
67. Lincoln, 1969, Centennial, Set of 2
68. Macon, 1956, Centennial, Set of 4
69. Malta Bend, 1967, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
70. Marceline, 1963, Diamond Jubilee, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
71. Marshall, 1989, Sesquicentennial, 5¢, Black, Buffalo W/ Stars
72. Meadville, 1958, Centennial, 5¢, Black, Large Indian
73. Miller, 1976, USA Bicentennial, 5¢, Black, Brave
74. Missouri City, 1985, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
75. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Green, 1-4-66
76. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Black, 2-2-66
77. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Red, 2-2-66
78. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Black, 4-12-66
79. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Red, 9-23-66
80. Moberly, 1966, Centennial, 5¢, Purple, 9-23-66
81. Monroe City, 1957, Centennial, 5¢, Black, June 5, 1957
82. Monroe City, 2007, Sesquicentennial, NV, Black, June 1-2-3 2007
83. Montrose, 1971, Centennial, 5¢, Black, How
84. New London, 1981, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Festival, Set of 4
85. New London, 1989, Park Days, 5¢, Black, Small Indian
86. New London, 1990, Park Days, 5¢, Blue, Buffalo
87. New London, 1991, Park Days, 5¢, Red, Large Indian
88. New London, 1992, Park Days, 5¢, Blue, Clown

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